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NEW FEATURES OF RACE

DEVELOPMENT—THE RACE IS NOT STATIONARY BUT IS

Advancing and Developing—An Advance In Intelligence and Broader and Clearer Conceptions—Dr. Preston's Aspirations for Bishopric Honors.

With the mutation of things many new features of race development force their way to attention while many individuals erstwhile drop out of sight, and are lost in the deep oblivion of obscurity.

The race is not stationary, but is advancing and developing at a most astounding rate of rapidity. This fact is best seen by a study of the chief organizations of the race. At the doorway of this investigation we meet two great facts relating to the lines along which the race is moving. One division of our race is being engrafted to the institutions of general society, and another division is forming into an independent factor. This latter is the fullest and truest illustration of what is in the Negro and his descendants as far as capability of self-direction is concerned.

The A. M. E. Church is the leading representative of this division of the race. It has its own organization and is dominated by both men and ideas that are strictly of the race. In 1787 the movement was initiated which segregated from the great mass an organized few who set out to struggle for existence and growth as a Negro organization. They did not start with the idea of perpetuating race lines, but at the outset declared their belief in the equality of all men. They separated from the whites because the only possible relations with the whites demanded that the Negroes be considered as inferiors. They set up as equals and then and ever since have been willing to come in contact with the whites on this plane, but on no other. More than one hundred years have passed since the enunciation of this daring proposition. During the century much has been accomplished, but a full victory has not been won. The world has come to respect the organization that flies at its front so bold a claim but it has not yet fully recognized the validity of this claim. The race has also come to respect the organization within itself that has dared to place so high a value upon the Negro, but the race has not yet come to the point where it can share this high opinion of itself.

There are those who still feel justified in asking "Did Allen make a mistake when he declared for the equality of all men?" There are still those who believe that it is wisest to engraft themselves upon the institutions of the whites.

While I am a firm believer in the principles declared by Allen, yet I do not condemn nor even seek to discourage those who follow the other course. For instance, should our brethren in the M. E. Church succeed in getting a colored Bishop who will rank as equal with the other Bishops of the M. E. Church, their course will be vindicated. Allen is long since vindicated, because the Bishops of his Church have received as high recognition from the world as have any Bishops of the M. E. Church. When the World's Parliament of Religions recognized and honored Bishop Payne, and when the original Methodists in England at their general conference received and recognized Bishop Grant, the issue was settled. We, who have the best interests of the race at heart, can well afford to back up and encourage the endeavors of our brethren in the M. E. Church, for when they win their victory and ours will together about settle all question as to the quality of the Negro race.

Those of us who are consecrated to the Allen idea have the lines of our thought and of our endeavor quite clearly marked out.

Just as a living organization adjusts itself to its environments, so also does an organization adjust itself to the conditions surrounding it. The A. M. E. Church is a fact and it must constantly adjust itself to the facts which it would modify. The A. M. E. Church is not a Presbyterian, an Episcopal, nor a Baptist Church, but it is the A. M. E. Church, and must ever hold to this great fact. The A. M. E. Church is not working among the aristocrats of Fifth avenue, nor among the white planters of the South, nor the white farmers of the West, but among the Negroes, and colored people of America, and it must ever keep these facts in mind. When the question of using robes was brought to the front it became necessary to consider just such facts as I have named. When we came to selecting men for the Bishopric these facts must control our choice. When we select men to stand at the head of our departments we are again forced to consider just this set of facts.

The A. M. E. Church must ever regulate its course by considering the end which it is to seek and the conditions under which it operates. We may have men who would make splendid Bishops in the M. E. Church but who are unfit for such an office in the A. M. E. Church. Our work is marked out, our peculiar task is before us. We must select the men who are best fitted for the particular work they are to do.

As we advance in intelligence, we also gain a broader and clearer conception of our tasks and are therefore better fitted to select men for the places of leadership.

My good Brother Jones, who is both fearless and thoughtful, is seldom in error, but when he names Dr. Preston, of Missouri, as a probable Bishop, he greatly errs. Dr. Preston has a right to be a candidate, just as Bishop Derrick and others have told him, but there is not a Bishop nor a God fearing elder, or layman who would give him a vote for that office under existing conditions. Every man who loves justice and hates the methods of mob law condemns the methods employed by the unprincipled scoundrels who drove Preston from Wilmington, but it does not follow that they are untrue to certain other principles that would of necessity have to be set aside in order to endorse him for the Bishopric. The mere politician could easily find it possible to take sides with Bishop Gaines or Dr. Preston, but the man of integrity can side with neither one. The tyranny and injustice of those who used Bishop Gaines in order to drive an opponent from the field is to be condemned, and at the same time Dr. Preston is under a cloud and will be until he dissipates it. His conference has exonerated him, and this fact is recogants, and can not afford to compromise right for the sake of any individual. It has done so in the past; it does so in certain instances in the present, but it can not afford to create a new instance. We, to-day, have men in high place who are moral lepers; they are legacies of a day that is past. We can not again elevate such men, nor can we take upon ourselves the task of clearing the reputation of men who are not nized to its full value, where he is recognized as an elder in good standing but a cloud rests upon his reputation, and this fact will also be recognized when he asks the Church to elevate him to the high office of Bishop.

Bishop Tanner recognizes the first fact, and gives Dr. Preston appointments fitting to his great ability as a pastor, but he also recognizes the second fact, when he disclaims all idea of voting for him as a Bishop. The course of Bishop Tanner in this matter will be the course of all who hold principle first and the man second. The A. M. E. Church stands before the world as the exponent of the best thought and ideals of the American Negro and his descendable to show a clear bill of health. We believe in conversion and in the forgivness of sins, and can and will defend any man who has reformed and who has produced fruits meet for repentance, but we will not stand by any defiant man who is unwilling to confess his sins and to humbly begin at the foot of our altars his new life.

There are men who right now are struggling either to hold high places or to gain promotion who are unfit to be among us in any capacity. We must either compromise with their wrong doing, or else repudiate the individuals. There are men right now in office who are mere fakes and who do not earn one dollar of the salary which they receive. We must either continue this robbery of our laity or else put in men who can earn their pay. I am simply stating plain truths, and am prepared to defend my utterances. As a Church we have passed our infancy, and we are now confronted with the stern duties that pertain to manhood. We should allow no man to either flatter his way into office, nor to buy it with our money. We once had an instance of a general officer who used hundreds of dollars of our money to pay the expenses of delegates pledged to his support. For one I will stand out for the right, no matter what may be the personal consequences. There are tens of thousands among us who are determined to pursue a like course. False promises, false friends, ingrates, two-faced men, tricksters and rogues are straight, out-spoken and upright. We want and we will have men who are not the types to put at the front. We will expose men who are rascals, regardless of the vengeance they may seek to wreak upon us.

The day has come when the A. M. E. Church will not suffer an honest, candid and outspoken man to be lynched.

J. M. HENDERSON, M. D.
86 Vanderbilt ave., Brooklyn.

COLORED MASONIC

Fraternity is Recognized by the White In Washington.

The Masonic Grand Lodge of white Masons of the State of Washington at their session, held at Seattle on June the 13th, 1898, passed a resolution by an overwhelming majority to recognize the colored Masons in the United States. A committee was appointed by the Grand Lodge of Washington a year ago to investigate and inquire into the legality of the colored Masons in this country, and their investigation satisfied them and the Grand Lodge that the colored Masons was as legal as the white Masons, for the colored Masons got their charter from the Grand Lodge of England in 1784, which is the same source of power and authority that the white Masons got their charter.

In 1775, when Boston, Mass., was garrisoned by British troops, a lodge, called a traveling lodge, holding its charter from the Grand Lodge of England, was connected with Gen. Gage's military regiment. Prince Hall, Thomas Sanderson, Buestine Slinger and several other colored men were initiated, passed and raised to the sublime degree of Master Masons at Castle Williams' place, Boston Harbor, now Fort Independence Bay, by Brother Master Batt. These colored Masons, in 1784, after remaining members of the lodge in which they received the degrees, applied to the Grand Lodge of England for a charter, and it was granted to them, and they were designated as African Lodge, No. 459. In 1797 Prince Hall was made Provincial Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of England. African Lodge, No. 1, was established at Philadelphia, Pa., African Lodge, No. 2, was organized at Providence, R. I. With these three lodges in 1808, the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts was organized and hence originated all the colored Masons of this country in a regular and legitimate manner.

This splendid work in securing recognition from the white Masons for the colored Masons is due to the untiring efforts of that eminent colored Mason, John G. Jones, 33, of Chicago, Illinois. Illustrious Jones furnished the committee on investigation and the Grand Lodge officers, and other prominent Masons in the State of Washington undeniable documentary evidence showing the legality of the colored Masons. It will be remembered that about two years ago, Illustrious Jones, 33, who is the Sovereign Grand Commander of the United Supreme Council of Scottish Rite Masons for the Southern and Western Masonic Jurisdiction of the United States of Amerca, secured recognition and is now officialy recognized by the white Supreme Council of Scottish Rite Masons in the United States, which is the first recognition that was ever secured for the colored Masons in any department of Masonry in the United States of America. This goes to show and to prove that prejudice in the Masonic Order among the white Masons is dying out, and that they are now adhering to that fundamental principle of Free Masonry, believing in the Fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man.

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Briefs.

Muncie, Ind., Special.—Rev. Slaughter, of Danville, Ky., was in the city last Sunday and preached at the Second Baptist Church. * * Rev. Townsend was in the city holding quarterly meeting. * * Love feast was held Monday evening at A. M. E. Church. * * Some of Anderson's young men drove over and spent Sunday with friends in the city. * * There is quite an amount of sickness in the city, and our hustling doctor is kept quite busy. * * Mrs. W. E. Robbins left Monday to visit friends in Ohio. * * The Eagle Band will give a concert and comic cake walk at the West Side Pavilion July 25. * * Miss Hettie Stokes has purchased a new Magic bycicle which adds one more to the club of cyclers in Muncie. * * Mr. Jule Lowery was in the city last week visiting his family.

EAR MARKS OF PROGRESS.

MEN AND MEASURES THAT ARE MAKING THE C. M. E. CHURCH

A Potent Factor—Reports to the Church Increasing in Numbers to the Contrary Notwithstanding.

In the galaxy of Negro religious denominations the C. M. E. Church occupies an unique and important position. It is unique because it was set apart and its first Bishops were ordained by the M. E. Church South. It is unique because it is the youngest branch of colored Methodism, and three of its Bishops are the oldest colored Bishops living and with one lone exception are the oldest Bishops of any race in the world.

Its position is important inasmuch because of the relations it sustains to the M. E. Church South, it is better prepared to do a work conductive to more harmony between the races in the South than any other colored Methodist organization. Notwithstanding the fact of its being a mere child in age compared to the A. M. E. and A. M. E. Zion connections it possesses a vigor and a progressive spirit unparalleled in history . According to the well known axiom of the syllogism, "Attributes coinciding with the same attribute coincide with one another." we formulate the folowing syllogism, the premises of which we think absolutely correct: The material progress of any religious organization is advanced or hindered by the institution and preservation of wise or unwise measures. All measures in

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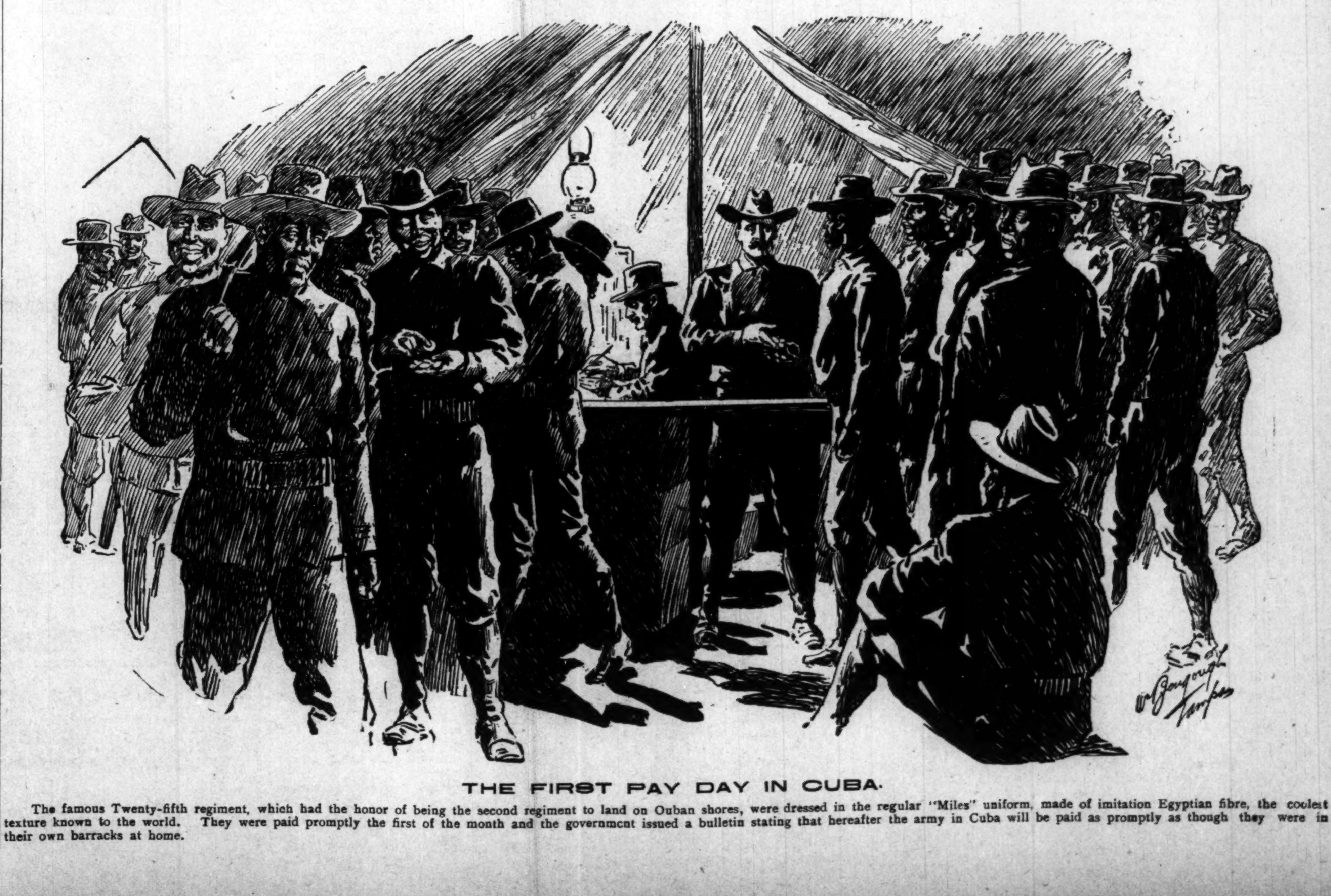

THE FIRST PAY DAY IN CUBA.

The famous Twenty-fifth regiment, which had the honor of being the second regiment to land on Cuban shores, were dressed in the regular "Miles" uniform, made of imitation Egyptian fibre, the coolest texture known to the world. They were paid promptly the first of the month and the government issued a bulletin stating that hereafter the army in Cuba will be paid as promptly as though they were in their own barracks at home.

General News

Sailed for Europe.

Dr. Nathan F. Mossell, organizer of the Frederick Douglass Memorial Hospital and Training School for Nurses, sails for Europe today to remain until September 1.

He goes for the purpose of studying the hospital methods of London and other leading hospitals and to pursue a special course of study in operative surgery in some one of the leading universities of London.

This visit of Dr. Mossell to Europe derives its especial interest from the fact that he is the first colored physician from this city or elsewhere who has ever gone abroad for such a purpose.—Philadelphia Daily Times.

Personal Mention.

Demopolis, Ala., special.—Mrs. Geo. Benson, Mrs. A. James and Mrs. Jno. Banks, of this city, who have been spending some months in Port Gibson, Miss., came home a few days ago. * * * * Prof. U. S. Jones made a flying trip to his home in Tuscaloosa, Ala., last week to visit his mother. He returned Saturday. * * Rev. Starks spent a few days in Livingston last week. * * The school commission board met last week and re-elected Prof. U. S. Jones principal and S. N. Bradfield assistant, teachers of the B. B. N. Institute the next scholastic year, beginning in September, 1898. * * Rev. W. E. Sharpe preached at the First Baptist Church fourth Sunday night. * * The children's day exercises took place at the A. M. E. Zion Church on the 26th. * * Mrs. W. C. Gibson has returned to this city to live. * * The band here is composed of seven pieces, with Prof. T. L. Sledge leader. Other members are:: Messrs. Geo. Steinbach, Frank Scott, S. Roberson, John Thomson; drummers, Wm. Lockett, snare, Joe Cowin, bass; W. C. Gibson, Manager. These young men are progressive and a credit to the race. * * N. S. Brasfield is agent for The Freeman. See him and secure a copy.

Notes of Interest.

Muncie, Ind., Special.—Miss Zoe Hatten and Miss Ruby Armstrong, of Lafayette, are in the city, the guests of Mrs. White and family, of South Beacon street. * * Rev. C. M. Williams, D. D., the well known evangelist, of Des Moines, Ia., was in the city last week. * * The cakewalk at West Side Park last Tuesday evening was well attended. The first prize a pair of gentleman's patent leather shoes and ladies' silk umbrella, was won by Mr. Webster Lyons and Miss Lillie Davis; the second prize, a gentleman's cane and a ladies' china manicure set, was won by Mr. Rufus King and Miss Wilson; third prize, an elegant cake, was won by Mr. Charles Scott and Miss Jennie Raymond. * * Rev. Slaughter was in the city last week on business. * * Mrs. John Wallace is on the sick list. * * The ladies of the Eastern Star Lodge gave an entertainment at their hall, on corner of Main and Walnut streets, Thursday evening last. * * Miss Etta Seine left for Huntington Sunday last to visit relatives. * * The Eagle Band, accompanied by several of Muncie's citizens, spent the Fourth of July at Marion.

Personal Mention.

Meridian, Miss., Special.—Meridian Sun Masonic Lodge gave a picnic the 24th. * * The feast in the wilderness at New Hope, the 23d and 24th, was a grand success. W. M. Lee was manager. * * Prof. W. D. Andrews and wife gave a Bible scenery at New Hope the 24th. * * Abe Chalmer died of consumption the 24th. Rev. Rivers officiated at the funeral, which took place from the Thirtieth Avenue Baptist Church. * * Mrs. Nancy Moore is improving. * * Rev. T. L. Jordon has returned to his home at Columbus. * * Mrs. R. L. Forkner led the young people's union Sunday evening, June 26th, at New Hope Church. * * The Epworth League met at St. Paul Church and was led by D. B. Watkins.

Interesting Notes

Meridian, Miss., Special 1.—G. A. Walker died July 3, after an illness of ten days. The remains were buried from St. Paul's Church. Mr. Walker was a prominent merchant here. Rev. J. C. Hibbler officiated at the funeral. * * Rev. S. A. Rivers, pastor of the Thirtieth-avenue Baptist Church, has been called to pastor the Sixteenth-street Baptist Church at Birmingham. * * A barbecue was given on the Fourth in the East End. * * Mrs. Lizzie Jackson, who has been quite sick for some time, is slowly improving. * * Mr. John T. Moore, formerly of Meridian, but now a member of the Mobile soldiers, is in the city soliciting volunteers. Lieut. C. A. Brown, of Mobile, is also here for that purpose. * * President E. H. Triplett, Dr. J. M. May and Rev. W. H. Jernagin, all connected with the A. and M. College at West Side, Miss., have been visiting our city the past week. * * Rev. C. L. Harris preached a splendid sermon at the Congregational Church Sunday, July 3, at 11 a. m., to a large congregation. * * Rev. L. W. Watson filled his pulpit at New Hope Baptist Church Sunday, July 3, at 3 and 8 o'clock p. m. to the satisfaction of all. * * Mr. Charles Hadnott left on the 29th of June to attend a marriage at Birmingham. * * Prof. and Mrs. U. D. Andrews left on the 30th for Macon. * * Miss Lillie Jikes, who has been visiting friends and relatives at Enterprise, Miss., has returned home. * * Mrs. Fannie Hill is able to be out again. * * J. W. Longstreet visited friends at Macon last week.

Notes.

Union City, Tenn., Special.—Nelson Wilks, who has been sick with consumption, died Saturday. * * Rev. T S. Johnson preached the annual sermon to the Tabernacle, Sunday night, June 17th. * * Miss Fannie Johnson, of Holly Springs, Miss., is visiting her aunt, Mrs. F. H. Thompson. * * Miss Dora Clagette entertained Misses Anna B. Crawford and Fannie Johnson Sunday evening. * * The Sunday School at the Second Baptist Church is improving. * * Sunday, the 26th, was rally day at the A. M. E. Church. * * The supper given at the A. M. E. Church Monday night was a success.

Grim Reaper—Death.

Brookland. D. C., Special.—Floray May Farley, daughter of Albert J. and Lulu Revels Farley, died in Brookland, D. C., June 27. She was a grand daughter of Dr. Willis R. Revels. Her mother died some years ago in the city of Indianapolis. At the time of her death Flora was living with her father and step-mother in the above named city. After the death of her mother she lived some years with her cousin, Mrs. M. A. Teister, in Greencastle, Ind., where her many friends will be pained to learn of her demise. She was taken ill on Sunday, the 19th, and died Monday, the 27th, of gastic stomach trouble. Flora was of a sweet, amiable disposition. None knew her but to love her. She professed a hope in Christ last winter, thus fitting herself for the glory land.

Sleep on sweet Flora, take thy rest,
God took the home, for He knows best,
Thou wast to gentle, kind and good,
Would we could keep you here.

Good knew you best,
Too gentle, frail and good to battle
With life's cares and stem the tide
Of life, he called you home to Him.

God calls the lovely and the fair,
To dwell with Him on high,
But, oh, our hearts, how grieven and
sad,
To lose our loved ones here.

I'll meet you, Flora, dear,
In that blest land above,
Where kindred may unite
And never part again.

M. A. TEISTER.
Crawfordsville, Ind.

NOTES.

It is reported that Grand Director Morris is to receive the Republican nomination for a judgeship in Chicago. We are sure that the entire Order join the Journal in hoping that the report may be true. No more worthy and well qualified attorney practices at the Chicago bar.—Odd Fellows' Journal.

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Governor Leedy has tendered a lieutenant-colonelcy to Maj. Chas. Young, of Ohio. John M. Brown, of Topeka, and James Beck, of Manhattan, have been appointed majors, and our own John M. Waller has been made captain of the Kansas City, Kan., company. Gov. Leedy is all right.—The Rising Sun, Kansas.

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Young colored men now have a splendid opportunity to enlist and show that they deserve the confidence Governor Leedy has placed in them in calling out two batallions of Negro troops, officered by colored men. It is a compliment to the military genius of our race and Negroes universally express for it a very high appreciation.—The Weekly Call, Topeka, Kans.

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A special committee, composed of Messrs. C. A. Dorsey, T. McCant Stewart, T. Thomas Fortune, S. R. Scott, James Garner and Bishop A. Walters, called on Governor Black the 13th inst. with a view of persuading him to create another regiment in order to give the colored patriots a chance, but he refuses on petty excuses. The committee, however, will hold a public meeting at St. Mark's next Wednesday evening to consider the condition of affairs. Rev. Dr. Brooks, Bishop W. B. Derrick, T. McCant Stewart and Bishop A. Walters will address the audience. All welcome. —The Weekly Triumph, New York.

GRAVE OF PATRICK HENRY.

Not In Richmond, but In Charlotte, Where He Lived.

Every now and then we see in some newspaper the query, "Where is Patrick Henry buried?" and tourists in Richmond constantly ask to be shown his grave, with the mistaken idea that it is in that city, where much of his public career was passed. Few people comparatively know that the man who acquired the title of "The Tongue of the Revolution" lies in a quiet grave on the estate in Charlotte county where he formerly lived. Over it is a marble slab inscribed with one line, "His fame his best epitaph."

The estate lies on Staunton river, 38 miles from the town of Lynchburg, near the border line which separates Charlotte and Campbell counties. It derived its name of Red Hill from the peculiar color of the soil in that vicinity. When Patrick Henry bought the place, it comprised about 3,500 acres. The land is rich—there was a saying in the neighborhood that poor land and Henry could never be mentioned together—corn grows there as high as a man on horseback; there is a general air of smiling fields and abundant prosperity. Its situation in early times was very remote. Neighbors were few, one of the nearest being the celebrated John Randolph of Roanoke, who lived in his chosen solitude 15 miles away.

Red Hill is now owned by Henry's grandson, William Wirt Henry, a clever, cultivated gentleman of the "old school." He has in his possession some most interesting relics of his celebrated grandfather, including the desk he always used, which still contains his letters from Lafayette, Washington, Madison and other great men of early days; the large, round backed chair in which Patrick Henry died and a portrait of him by the elder Sully, under which hangs a yellowed slip of paper, signed by Chief Justice John Marshall and several others of his friends, testifying to the faithfulness of the likeness.—Philadelphia Press.

READING SEALED LETTERS

A German Scientist Shows How This May Be Accomplished.

It is not generally known that sealed letters may in many cases be read without opening the envelopes or doing them the least injury. It was discovered by a German physiologist by the use of an embryoscope, or egg glass, that the shells of eggs were of very unequal thickness.

It occurred to him to make experiments in order to ascertain how many leaves of ordinary letter or official paper must be laid above and below a written leaf in order to make it illegible to a highly sensitive eye in the direct sunlight. He found that after he had rested his eye in a dark room for 10 or 15 minutes he cold read a piece of writing over the mirror of the embryoscope that had been covered with eight layers of paper.

He called in other observers to confirm this. The letters, however, that could thus be deciphered were written in dark ink on one side of the paper only. If four written sides were folded together, and especially if there had been crossing, it was hard to make out the drift of the writing, and there are some kinds of writing which, when folded twice or thrice, admit too little light for the purpose of decipherment.

In this way possibly many of the performances of "clairvoyants" may be explained. By means of the egg glass it is, as a rule, easier to make out the contents of letter or telegram without the slightest tampering with the envelope than it is to detect the movements of the embryo in the egg.

Suppose the writer of a billet, the contents of which are known only to himself, lets it out of his hand and loses sight of it for five minutes. It may be readily carried either into the direct sunlight or into electric or magnesium light and be read by the aid of the egg glass. The placing of a piece of cartridge paper in the envelope or the coloring of it black is a means of defense at hand.

A Burmese School.

The uproar was like that of a runaway engine tearing through a tunnel The floor was littered with youngsters lying on their stomachs, and all bawling with an energy indicative that somebody was hurting them. Long, slim, scratched upon slips of palm leaf, the equivalent of books in Burma, were spread before the scholars. Making the lads shout is the approved method of elementary instruction. When the master discovers any lagging in lung exercise, a long switch begins to sing through the air. Quiet, serious study is exploded. The Burmese educationists argue that so long as a boy is shouting his mind is occupied. When he is silent, he is certain to be scheming mischief. Therefore the best shouters are the best pupils.—Travel.

Cruel Spaniards.

Spanish officers as well as men generally incline to cruelty and treachery. Here is a story in point, told by an excellent authority:

"In Alcala, the Guardia Civil—that is, one of the crack troops—was after a robber band. One of the robbers was caught. Being promised a full pardon, he gave away his comrades. This man had no sooner signed the paper that served as his death warrant for his late friends when the officer in charge said, 'We will begin with him.' The robber was immediately shot in the back of his head."

In 1870 Japan was visited by a terrible epidemic of smallpox, which almost decimated Yokohama. Vaccination was made compulsory in 1896. The Japanese are said to have been struck with the fact that pockmarked foreigners were rarely seen in Japan.

In the Bank of England there are many silver ingots which have lain untouched for nearly 200 years.

HE SAVED THE MILK.

It Required Genius to Do It, but He Was Equal to the Occasion.

"Talking about cows," said Andy Henderson, "I really think that I had one of the most peculiar experiences with the animals in question that ever befell a citizen of west Texas. It was soon after I went to El Paso, some ten years ago, and before I had got familiar with the vagaries of the El Paso climate.

"I had settled on a very pretty ranch some miles out of the progressive frontier city and was doing nicely until I decided to go into the butter business. I sent east for a dozen fine Jersey cows and began operations. Well, the cows came on, and I hustled the butter business from the jump. Things progressed nicely for a month, when the weather grew very warm and the atmosphere very dry. The Rio Grande dwindled until a roach could have waded across. Every bit of moisture disappeared, but this did not affect me, because I had a fine artesian well on the ranch and plenty of water. I observed, however, that my cows were losing milk day by day, until at last they were perfectly dry. I was astounded, for they had plenty of feed and lots of water from the well. I couldn't understand it and determined to investigate.

"I got up an hour before daylight and examined the cows, and, to my astonishment, I found the udders of the cows heavy with milk. I did not milk the the animals, but simply watched and waited developments. Day dawned and the cows lazily meandered into the pasture, and I followed. The sun came up, and with the sun came the terrible dryness, but it didn't feaze me in the least. What knocked me out was the sight of my cows' udders. They were growing smaller and smaller as I looked until they were as flaccid as a punctured tire. Then I tumbled. The dryness of the atmosphere simply evaporated the milk through the walls of the udder.

"What did I do? Why, I varnished the milking apparatus of the beasts and the milk couldn't ooze through the flesh. That stopped it."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

A SENSE OF HUMOR.

It Is a Precious Gift and Helps to Lighten Life's Way.

I regard a sense of humor as one of the most precious gifts that can be vouchsafed to a human being. He is not necessarily a better man for having it, but he is a happier one. It renders him indifferent to good or bad fortune. It enables him to enjoy his own discomfiture.

Blessed with this sense he is never unduly elated or cast down. No one can ruffle his temper. No abuse disturbs his equanimity. Bores do not bore him. Humbugs do not humbug him. Solemn airs do not impose on him. Sentimental gush does not influence him. The follies of the moment have no hold on him. Titles and decorations are but childish baubles in his eyes. Prejudice does not warp his judgment. He is never in conceit or out of conceit with himself. He abhors all dogmatism. The world is a stage on which actors strut and fret for his edification and amusement, and he pursues the even current of his way, invulnerable, doing what is right and proper according to his lights, but utterly indifferent whether what he does finds approval or disapproval from others.

If Hamlet had had any sense of humor, he would not have been a nuisance to himself and to all surrounding him. —London Truth.

Spending Money.

It is an excellent thing to give children as soon as they arrive at about 12 years, or even before, a little allowance for spending money and an account book. Show them how to keep an account of small expenditures and make it a condition that they do so if they wish to receive their allowance. There is no instruction more necessary to children than instruction in the wise management of money. Children should be taught early what true economy is and to exercise their judgment—not their fancy—in making purchases. A little instruction now, and experience if need be, of the genuine discomforts of extravagance may save them from much suffering in after years. — New York Ledger.

He Had Changed.

A widow once called upon an artist and asked him to paint a portrait of her husband. "When can he sit?" inquired the artist. "He can't sit at all," said the widow, "he's dead." "Then you will have to furnish me with his photograph," said the artist. "He never had his picture taken," said the widow. Nevertheless the artist undertook the job, and when he had finished the work he asked the widow to come and see it.

"It's a fine picture," said she, "and you'll please send it to my home—but how the old man has changed."—Boston Herald.

He Saw the Play.

They were giving "She Stoops to Conquer" in a small provincial town. A penniless individual, anxious to see the play, stalked past the ticket office in a careless, independent sort of way. When stopped and asked by what right he went in without paying, he replied:

"By what right! I am Oliver Goldsmith, the author of the piece they are going to perform!"

"Ah, beg pardon, sir," said the check taker, making a bow.

And Goldsmith walked in to see his play.—London Answers.

Why Is It Ever Thus?

The whole crowd of men raved of her beauty.

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So she was, just as they had said.

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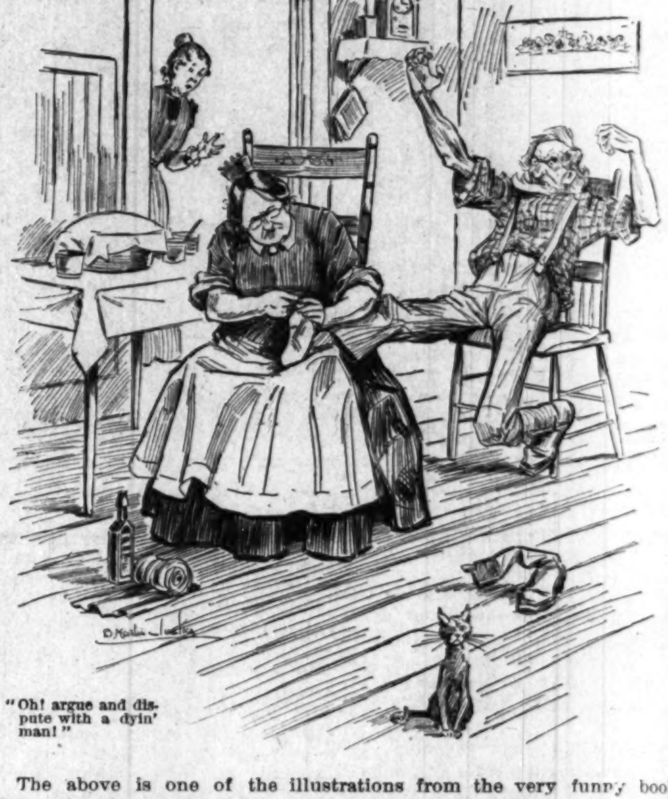
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Several years ago there lived in Cincinnati a mule which was employed by a street railway company in hauling cars up a steep incline. This animal was hitched in front of the regular team and unhitched as soon as the car arrived at the top of the hill. It made a certain number of trips in the forenoon (I have forgotten the number, but will say 50 for the sake of convenience) and a like number in the afternoon, resting for an hour at noon. As soon as the mule completed its fiftieth trip it marched away to its stable without orders from its driver.

To show that it was not influenced by the sound of the factory whistles and bells the following remarkable action on the part of this animal is vouched for by the superintendent of the line, who gave me these data: On a certain occasion, during a musical festival, this mule was transferred to the night shift, and the very instant it completed its fiftieth trip it started for the stables. It took the combined efforts of several men to make it return to its duty. At night there were no bells or whistles to inform the creature that "quitting time" had come. It had counted the trips, and having finished its full quota of 50 it thought that the time for rest and food had arrived.

Some monkeys give unmistakable evidences of the possession by them of the computing faculty. In 18[illegible]9 I made the acquaintance of a very intelligent chimpanzee which could count as high as three. That this was not a trick suggested by sensual impulses I had ample opportunity of satisfying myself. The owner of the animal would leave the room, no one being present but myself, and when I would call for two marbles or one marble or three marbles, as the case might be, the monkey would gravely hand over the required number. Romanes mentions an ape which could count three, the material used in his experiment being straws from the animal's cage. Wolff, Darwin, Forbes and Hartman also give instances of the computing faculty in apes and monkeys.—James Weir in Lippincott's Magazine.

DEWEY AS A DISCIPLINARIAN.

His Method of Subduing Some Refractory Sailors.

"I was with Commodore Dewey when he was the executive officer of the Colorado," said a financier, "and I remember one incident which shows the manner of man he is. We had a fine crew, some of them as powerful men as I ever saw. Four or five of them went ashore one day and came back fighting drunk.

"Three of them were men who would singly have been more than a match in strength for John L. Sullivan. The order was given to put them in irons, and it was found impossible to carry out the order, for the men were dangerous. Dewey was notified of the situation. He was writing a letter in his room at the time.

"He went to the place where these giants were and he told them to come out and submit to the irons. They did not stir. Then Dewey said quietly to an orderly, 'Bring me my revolvers,' and when he had his pistols he again called upon the men to come out, but they did not move. Then he said, 'I am going to count three. If you are not out here with your hands held up on the third count, you won't come out of that place alive.'

"He counted one, then he cocked the revolvers, and he counted two. We all expected to hear the report, for we knew that Dewey meant what he said. The men knew it too. They stepped out just in time to save their lives and held up their hands, and they had been partially sobered by their fright and the moral effect of Dewey's glance.

"One of them said afterward that when he saw Dewey's eyes he knew that he would either be a dead Jackie in a moment or he would have to yield, and when the irons were put upon him he was as sober as he ever was in his life. Dewey went back to his room and finished the letter he was writing."—Philadelphia Press.

"The Lucky Duffs."

"The Lucky Duffs" is the title of an article in The English Illustrated Magazine in which Mr. J. M. Bullock traces the rise of the Duke of Fife, like a prince in a fairy tale, from a little farmer in the north of Scotland 200 years ago. One good woman of the house used to ride to market with a huge pile of plaiding, which she had spun from her sheep, in the crouper beside her and duly brought back its value in merks. These she hoarded in bags. On one occasion she banked her savings in a leather bag in the ceiling, but the rats got at it, so that the family dined amid a downpour of ducatoons. The family flourished so well that each of her three sons got an estate of his own—Patrick, the youngest, bringing 36 children into the world, while William became the father of the first Earl of Fife.

Queen Wilhelmina.

There is no longer any doubt that Wilhelmina, queen of the Netherlands, is engaged to marry Prince Bernhard of Saxe-Weimar, who is now 20 years of age and the second son of the late hereditary Prince of Weimar. The young queen has lately been in Paris seeing the sights and selecting a trousseau. Her dresses, rides in the Bois and goodness of face and character have been items of interest in the Paris journals. They deem it significant that she shops in Paris instead of Berlin and believe the future queen a valuable person to cultivate.

Thoughtful to the Last.

"Didn't your absconding cashier leave you any message?"

"Yes. He left a line in the cash box transferring to me his paid up membership in a Don't Worry club."—Chicago Record.

A New Means of Sterilization.

One of the simplest and most thorough methods of sterilizing when it can be used is by means of heat. One of the difficulties in the use of this means is that the articles may be spoiled, especially where the heat is long continued. Baking or placing articles in dry heat for any length of time is not only an unreliable method, but attended with the danger of fire if a degree of heat is sufficiently thorough to sterilize them. Boiling or steaming is objectionable because most things would be rendered useless from the contact with moisture. Experiments have proved that hot oil is one of the best sterilizers known, especially for instruments.

One of our most eminent surgeons has demonstrated the fact that the most complete sterilizing follows the dipping of surgical instruments into boiling olive oil. One may determine the temperature of the oil by a very simple process of dropping bread crumbs into the oil. When they turn brown and crisp, the oil is hot enough for the surgeon's use. This is much more convenient than using the thermometer, which may not always be at hand. The oil may be heated over a spirit lamp, and a few spoonfuls will be sufficient for sterilizing the instruments used in some of the more simple operations.—Exchange.

Ruined the Sale.

A young lady from the city was trying her hand as an amateur saleswoman in a plantation store one morning last week when an old colored woman, gorgeously arrayed in her Sunday clothes, entered the store and, pointing to a bottle of German cologne on one of the highest shelves, asked:

"What dat?"

"That's cologne, auntie."

"Well, I'll take it."

Delighted at having made a sale in such a short time the young lady busied herself in getting down the bottle and dusting it for the customer's inspection, at the same time commenting upon its excellencies with the volubility of an experienced auctioneer.

"I believe, auntie," she continued, "that this is the finest perfume ever manufactured"—

She was brought to a sudden pause, for the old negress had thrown up both hands in horrified protest.

"Stop right dar! Youse done gib youself away. Fust you said cologne, but now you done let out dat it's puffume, an I don't want it, for puffume nebber holds its scent. I wanted cologne."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

Valuable Ware.

At the Saveton sale, in London, a few years ago, a service of old Sevres ware was sold for $5,000. The genuineness of this set was proved by certificates issued to the owners by the French government, writes F. Vizetelly in Godey's. But by far the most valuable service turned out at the Sevres pottery (in 1778) was made for the Czarina Catherine II of Russia and consisted of 745 pieces, which cost $65,630.

The Sevres ware, old or modern, is usually light in color and daintily decorated with flowers or figure subjects tastefully arranged. The porcelain itself, although of good texture, is inferior to that of the English potteries. Decorated pieces generally bear pictorial panels on white ground, surrounded by frames of gilt scrollwork. These, as well as the tableware, are quite in keeping with the national character. Although the Sevres works are still in operation, they are kept busy in copying ancient Chinese and Japanese models instead of increasing their reputation in the manufacture of the wares which made them famous.

Blew Off the Fly.

"I was once speaking at a temperance meeting in Green Bay," says ex-Governor Peck of Milwaukee, "and in the course of my remarks I looked about for some water. A mug had been placed beside me, and how it could have happened at a temperance convention I do not know, but it was a beer mug filled with water. Well, it was a warm day and where there is convention food spread out on a warm day there are likely to be flies.

"There were flies, and one had lighted trustingly on the surface of the water in that mug. I saw him as I lifted it, and I did the most natural and humane thing I could think of—blew him off the water. Well, they cheered for five minutes. And to this day I suppose you can't persuade a Green Bay man that anybody from Milwaukee can drink a glass of water, even at a temperance convention, without first blowing off the foam."

A Real Gentle Horse.

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First Requisite.

"Now," said the lawyer, "I cannot take your case unless you tell me the whole truth."

"What shall I tell first?" asked the client, peering through the bars.

"Well, you might let me know just how much money you've got."—Boston Traveler.

A writer in a German periodical states that birds have been seen at a height of 15,000 yards. Their distance was estimated by the time it took them to cross the moon's disk.

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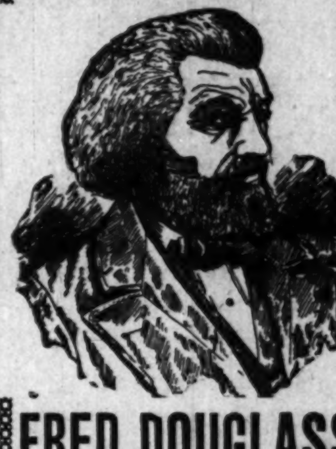

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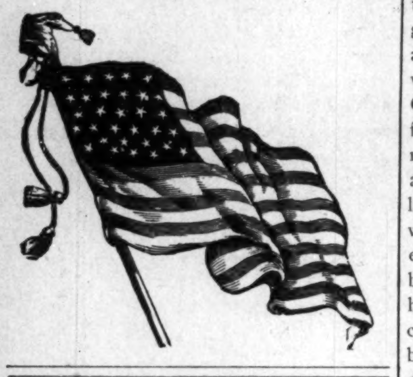

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Two splendid companies of well-developed, good-looking colored youths and men are now at the State Fair Grounds at the edge of the city of Indianapolis waiting to serve their country and to all intents and purposes now serve, for in the language of Milton, "They too serve who wait." The colored people of the city and State feel proud that they are represented in the great humanitarian war between Spain and this country, which has for its object the amelioration and the alleviation of the oppressed and contemned on the Western Hemisphere. The whole State is fairly represented in this group of 212 men. Captains Porter and Buckner are to be congratulated on the progress they have made under very adverse circumstances. Lieutenant James H. Thomas is certainly in for a large share of praise for his determined efforts in getting these men together. Nothing will be begrudged Thomas for his splendid services all over the State. However, all's well that ends well, and the State Fair Grounds resound to the mirth and revelry of those who may in the near future be storming the fortress of Havana or perchance following the track of war to the far-away Philippines or at their post in Hawaii. Those who visited the boys, as they are endearingly called—yes, endearingly, for they are all we have, let them be what they may—those that visited them are impressed with their hilarity and gaiety and withal touched on account of that unknown fate that the future so faithfully conceals from the most scrutinizing gaze. Everything was in ship-shape style, showing that the first lessons in housekeeping on the community plan was not in vain. The cuisine department (by courtesy) was as well kept as affairs of so much latitude might be. Under the guiding genius of Lieutenant Thomas, the loving cup was passed around and that portion of the menu commonly called soup was sampled It is needless to say that the spectators all of them indulged to more or less extent with the boys, not so much on account of the exhilarating effects perhaps, but because it might be the last supper with those who in all likelihood will have their tents pitched under the scorching influence of the equatorial sun, or scaling the heights of some of the Spanish Morro Castles, or bivouacking in outlandish tropics of some island at the world's end. The soup for initiation was pronounced good and if the flavor holds up there is no reason why it should not hoist them into Havana instanter; that is, as soon as they get there.

Supper time for the boys was an inspiring sight. They marched la enfilade, it is presumed, an arrangement approaching the lockstep, each one armed with a capacious tin pan and side arms, all of which must have made a heavy draft on Elwood or on Wales itself. They presented themselves before the chief domo and his aids, who, regardless of the capacity of the receptacles filled them cheerfully from a bounteous store. Each one hied himself to some spot or knoll and thought and ate; thinking of the messes he would some day have under leaden hail and rain of the Spanish batteries or under the more peaceful citron groves of the sunny South. Mothers and fathers watched their boys eat. Lovers watched their lovers eat, while each reflected but spake not a word. The messing time is too realistic for much speaking. It is the forerunner of future events. But it was soon over, the huge cups of coffee had been disposed of, the good-looking, savory-smelling brown beef, accompanied by potatoes just as savory and as good looking, had been safely stowed away, strolls on the green followed. But even the soldier boy's life of ease hangs wearily on his hands at last. One by one they creep in the bunks of wholesome straw and U. S. blankets. They are soon in the arms of Morpheus, "dreaming dreams no mortal ever dreamt before." And like Whittier's "The Old Slave's Dream," he dreamed of his own wife and children in his far-away home. Many times and oft will the scenes of the old cattle sheds of Indianapolis revert to his memory when sans mens et sans copore he listened to the dulcet tones of the first bugle call—after all so syrenic. It may be that other nationalities may have not much sympathy to pour out for these brave blacks who have taken their lives in their hands, but the Negroes of this city and State extend them all the sympathy possible from the warmest hearts in the world. Like the God that marks the sparrows falling, a faithful watch shall attend their movements and/will lose sight of them only as their most intimate associates may lose sight of them when mixed with the wounded and dying. A grateful people extends these our boys, our noblest boys, its prayers and its benedictions, hoping that the God of Israel will peculiarly bless them, attending them both night and day until they return to claim the vacancies in our hearts and homes.

Santiago at this writing still stands, but its days are numbered.

Pinchback is now heir presumptive or the crown prince in the realm of politics as it relates in a large way to the colored people.

The Freeman is under favor to Senator Fairbanks and Congressman Overstreet for continued favors in the way of pamphlets and other matters for general distribution.

The Indianapolis World imagines that The Freeman should be in line with it politically speaking. Yet it is doubtful whether it does or not. A row is what the World is looking for.

The Freeman is a race paper; it stands for reform in the black race as well as the white race. It's no iconoclast; it's content to mold things gradually into shape and not move by fits and starts. It's not looking for a "wow."

"Not brave nor loyal and are not deserving of citizenship," says the St. Joseph News (Mo). The unreconstructed little pubilcation perhaps does not amount to a great deal, possibly not worthy of the attention given it; but the vile creature has much company andin div ers places. The chances are that it does not care much about the bravery or the loyalty; it desires presumably to lay the stress on the citizenship. Right happily we owe this boon of liberty and citizenship which is periodically pitched in the teeth of the race to a very high authority and all together able to sustain the advance position.

This citizenship is rock-ribbed, rooted and grounded, unshakable—stable as the hills. There is no way to repudiate it. So the St. Joseph News may as well take a new position in its race persecution. The little setbacks that the race have received in this matter of citizenship in a few of the Southern States are but momentary—light afflictions. Right will triumph over might in the end. Such contentions like the St. Joseph News attempts to set in motion are indicative of the feeble resistance to the relentless onward march of fate toward the brother of man.

LIBERIA'S FUTURE MENANCED.

It is held by trustworthy authority that Liberia is in great danger of being gobbled by the foreign powers of Europe. Bishop Hartzell, who has been visiting that country, recommends that this government and England act in concert. looking forward to the establishing of a protectorate over the African republic. He thinks that that would be the means of preservingits p olitical longevity and at the same time give new life to the business enterprises, which is so needful. It might seem a usurpation of authority, this form of meddling, but the age of philanthropy and high humanitarianism certainly suggests that the engrafting system be employed in defense of phlegmy old Liberia. The capability to govern, which is one of the questions of the age, is not in any wise settled by the permission of such steps. Capital or the lack of it is the only ailing feature in the civilization of Liberia. Sir Waiter Raleigh spent a million dollars in trying to establish a colony in America many years ago. He was under favor of a powerful queen. He was a man of great influence, yet notwithstanding this was a lamentable failure. The Liberians have been far more successful than most of the colonies first attempted in America. They have nothing to be ashamed of. They went to Africa endowed simply with brawn and with it they wrested an empire from a wilderness. Not very pretentious, it is true, but the world has not done better under like circumstances. All of the American colonies were richly endowed with finances, education, experience and muscle. But notwithstanding there were many lamentable failures. It is money alone that the Liberians need. It is situated in a zone that permits the cultivation of coffee and all other tropical products. It is rich in mineral resources, but all this amounts to nothing without the means of development. The Liberians can afford to trust the Americans and the English people for fair play. It is hoped that the experiment of self-government on the part of Negroes in Africa, which does not mean that by some mysterious processes something is to result from nothing, will succeed. By virtue of the position assumed by the United States, when Liberia was set aside for the free Negroes in this country, an asylum, so to speak, it becomes her to look upon Liberia as a protege. It is not advisable to wait until the country is involved and becomes the subject of international dispute. It should be done while the country is yet intact and free from the corporate greed of Germany, France and Belgium in their rending and partitioning Africa piecemeal. Momentum must be given Liberia or the surrounding nations which have foreborne its destruction so long out of respect to the philanthropic designs on the part of the United States will cease to be patient. Bishop Hartzell says they are already impatient and that they have thus impressed the Liberians. It seems an act in accord with wisdom to give the Liberians a chance.

Major Taylor, the colored boy, has decided that he will not go to the national meet held in his home city, Indianapolis, at the time when he stands an excellent showing of demonstrating to his old-time friends that the darky lad of years ago has achieved a grand success, says the Philadelphia Press. Years ago Taylor rode around Indianapolis and gained speed. Very soon he became a dangerous competitor for any of the amateurs of the district, and then a protest was made against him, owing to his color. To this the authorities, many of whom are now interested in the national meet, listened and Taylor claims they did him the injustice of refusing him entry in the contests of that part of the country. It is his turn now and he evidently intends to follow it up to the full measure by refusing to ride at a time when his presence would prove a great benefit to the meet.—The Indianapolis Sentinel.

While the complaint of Taylor is just, no doubt but the rule of retaliation can not always be successfully applied. The fact that he has won through the opposition is the finest kind of compensation. Taylor, in all of his career, has seen more or less of discrimination and especially when he proceeded South. Indianapolis is in a humor to entertain Taylor at this time and it is his opportunity. He should above all things

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Negroes have a moral right to act in any capacity that any other individual may act in within the borders of the United States, guaranteed by no less eminent authority than the Constitution of the United States, which reads as follows: "No State shall make or enforce any law which shall abridge the privileges or immunities of citizens of the United States." What it lacks in the letter is liberally supplied by the spirit of the Constitution. The war is on for the complete subjugation of all artificial lines and nothing short of an unconditional surrender will be entertained. Compromises since 1820 have been the order and concessions since the Fifteenth Amendment, when every citizen is joint heir to the rich bequeathments of this country, regardless o fthe claims set up by any other individual or set of individuals. There are no specified places in this country for the x's. the y's or the z's; all are to ramify everywhere—the result of a thoroughly united country, a thoroughly free people.

The colored soldiers are sustaining their reputation as fighters. It is said that the Spaniards concentrated their fire on the Ninth and Tenth Cavalry, thinking they would be easily beaten back. The results were contrary to what they expected.

The Representative takes no little pride in announcing the appointment of Robert Pelham, Jr., of Detroit, to a position in the Interior Department at Washington, D. C. Mr. Pelham is one of the active, hustling young Afro-Americans of Michigan and his assignment is one of the surest tests that pluck, energy and ability will not fail of recognition.—The Michigan Representative.

Mr. Pelham deserves the recognition received at the hands of theadmi nistration. He is worthy, a representative citizen of his State and a prominent member of the race. His elevation is in strict accord with things as they should be, the natural consequence of ability and determination.

North Carolina has a colord regiment with the following colored officers: J. H. Young, of Raleigh, colonel; Charles L. Taylor, of Charlotte, lieutenant-colonel; Andrew J. Haywood, of Raleigh, major; E. E. Smith, of Goldsboro, major; Abe Middleton and David P. Lane, adjutants; Thomas R. Mask, J. A. Dellinger and M. T. Pope, surgeons; Thomas C. Miller, quartermaster.

This will certainly give the Negro haters the St. Vitus dance. We wonder if the Washington Post has heard the news yet?—The Richmond Planet.

That sounds well for the State of North Carolina, which State, by the way, is highly favored at court. There are not many things that North Carolina can not get

Newsy Dots.

New Albany, Ind., special.—Jones A. M. E. Chapel will hold a big basket meeting at the fair grounds Sunday. Rev. R. L. Cherry, the pastor, expects a grand time and a large crowd. * * The Second Baptist annual excursion to Brandenburg last Sunday was a decided success. Several hundred persons were aboard the vessel. * * Mrs. M. Berry, son and daughter, well respected citizens of Charleston, Ind., have moved to our city and are housekeeping on West Second street. * * Prof. W. F. Teister, of Crawfordsville, spent a few hours in the city recently. * * Rev. Harry Bray, of Corydon, made a business trip to the city Tuesday, the 5th. * * Miss Ellen Rickman leaves for Rockport Monday, where she will attend the Grand Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star, of which Miss Rickman is Royal Grand Matron. * * The first annual excursion of the Howard Baptist and Bethel A. M. E. churches, of this city, and Asbury Chapel, Louisville will go to Sugar Grove Monday. * * The funeral of Mrs. Sarah Harper occurred at the Second Baptist Church last week, Rev. S. C. Manuel officiating. Undertaker Keller attended. * * Bert Adair is now holding first chair in his barber shop on Main street.

Notes.

Connersville, Ind., special.—Rev. Geo. B. Lynch, of Indianapolis, preached the annual sermon of the Daughters of the Tabernacle Sunday at the Second M. E. Church. In the evening at 7:30 he preached a very eloquent sermon to a large audience. * * Rev. E. White, the pastor of the Second M. .E Church, who is making a brilliant success in his administration of the church, has been greatly revived and is said to be in a better condition than it has been for years. * * Messrs. Turner & Bass are among the leading colored business men of the city and held in high esteem by the best citizens.

EAR MARKS OF PROGRESS

(Concluded from First Page.)

the church are shaped and put into operation through the instrumentality of men; therefore the material progress of any religious organization is advanced or hindered by the men in charge. Therefore to gain a proper appreciation of the possibilities as the C. M. E. Church we must discuss men and measures. This will give an insight into the past and breathe an utterance of prophecy for the future.

A most hopeful sign for the Church is evidenced by the establishment of capable schools and colleges for the proper education and indoctrinating of its youths. This is a wise measure. Lane College, though not blesed with an endowment or wealthy friends will remain a monument to the untiring zeal and indomitable energy of Bishop Lane. Payne Institute is largely the creature of that eloquent orator, erudite pen picturer and polished parliamentarian. Bishop L. H Holsey, one of the finest English scholars of America. and this is saying a great deal. Texas College, Haygood Seminary, and the Alabama High School are fast bringing up the rear.

The one thing that characterizes most of the leaders of the C. M. E. Church is they are modest, while the Bishops of other colored Methodist bodies were being almost overwhelmed with honorary degrees ad infinitum, the Bishops of the C. M. E. Church and especially the older ones. have purposely refrained from accepting what they considered empty honors. In these days of honorary D. D.'s, LL. D.'s, Ph. D.'s and D. C. L.'s this is refreshing. Not that they should not be conferred upon worthy persons, but that their use has been much abused.

The recent statement of the Independent that "all religious bodies have made an increase in numbers over 1896 save the C. M. E. Church, which shows a decided decrease," is a mistake. Well posted statisticians say the apparent falling off in numbers was due: First, to uninformed persons placing the estimate too high; second, to unthoughtful ministers failing to report their full membership, as a means of evading a full assessment for general funds, upon the collection of which the passage of their characters depended. A close scrutiny of the membership will show that the church has been growing ever since its birth.

One of the coming young men of the Church and race is the Rev. R. A. Carter, A. B., B. D. He is modest, a thorough scholar, and wide awake progressive man. Rev. Carter is a born leader of men. He is at present associate editor of the Gospel Trumpet, and a presiding elder of the Georgia Conference. He would make a model general officer, and will undoubtedly be elected to the Bishopric some day. Carter is an alumnus of Paine Institute, and very creditably does he represent his alma mater.

One of the finest Greek scholars of the race is Prof. John Wesley Gilbert, A. M., the present professor of Greek at Paine Institute. After finishing his classical training in America he traveled abroad in further prosecution of his studies. To-day he is a proficient linguist and has few superiors in any race.

Rev. H. Seb. Doyle, Ph. D.; R. E. Hart, D. D.; R. T. Brown, A. M., M. D.; W. B. West, A. M., B. D.; J. W. Luckett, and George C. Taylor, A. B., are giants in whose hands the Church will always be safe.

The Church is young, and at its helm are men filled with energy, aggressiveness and holy ambition. Self-assertiveness, egotism and unholy aspirations are promptly sat upon. If the late C. M. E General Conference did nothing else its actions compelled the editor of the Index to declare that henceforth the endorsement and discussion of any man for office in the Church would not be tolerated in the official organ. This is a wise measure, the indirect outcome of the actions of the General Conference. This measure must finally prevail. It is a step far in advance of other colored religious organizations, and for its institution the people will ever be grateful to the C. M. E. Church. The announcement of this policy was the direct outgrowth of the sentiment prevailing throughout the Church—the tide was too strong for any editor to withstand and live.

The dawn of the Twentieth Century will find the young but growing and vigorous C. M. E. Church in the lead along lines of advanced thought and action.

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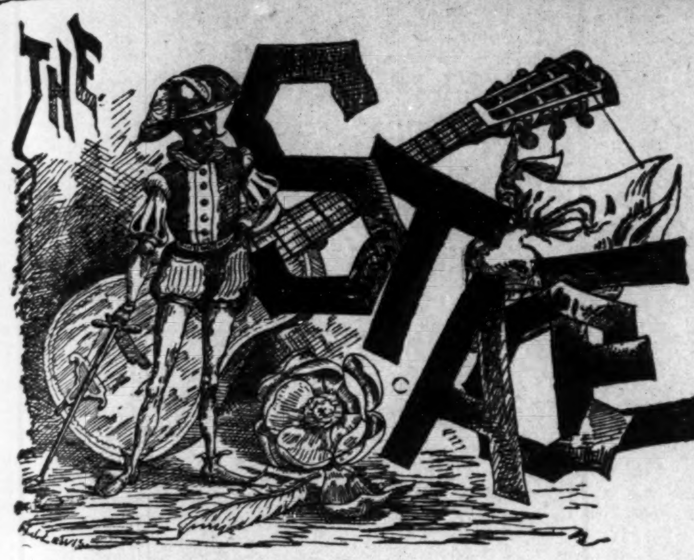

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ROUTE.

Oliver P. Scott's Refined Negro Minstrels, Manistee, Mich., July 15-16; Manitowoc, Wis., 18.

Nashville Students—Larimore, N. D., July 14; Grand Fork, 16.

"Frosty" Moore is in Dayton, O.

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Harry Fidler left for Chicago Wednesday.

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Sam Lucas is with Mead's Imperial Vaudeville Company.

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"The Coon From Alabama" is being reorganized in Birmingham, Ala.

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Paul C. Floyd, of Hillman and Floyd, is spending his vacation in Richmond, Ind.

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Eraspal L. Snyder has joined the Oliver P. Scott Refined Negro Minstrels.

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Harry Waters is making a big hit with the Oliver Scott Refined Negro Minstrels.

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Harry Martell will bring out the "South Before the War" again this season, much enlarged.

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The Richards, Pringles, Rusco and Hollands' Big Minstrels will begin their rehearsals in Waukegon, Ill., next week.

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Grant and Grant were on the bill at the Central Opera House, New York City, last week, and were generously applauded.

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Lorenzo Tio, clarionet, with the Oliver P. Scott Refined Negro Minstrels, sends regards to W. O. Terry, Robt. Leach and all friends.

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A good live correspondent is wanted with every colored organization on the road this season for The Freeman. Send for special terms at once.

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George L. Moxley, last season stage director with the Mahara Minstrels, is arranging to give a female minstrels in Fargo N. D., where he is spending his vacation.

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The Georgia Minstrels showed Beloit, Wis., June 2. They were entertained by Messrs. George Gilbert, a non-professional, and Lawrence E. Chenault, who is visiting that city.

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All matter for publication in this column must be addressed to J. Harry Jackson, dramatic editor, care The Freeman, Indianapolis, Ind.

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Billy Miller, the Napoleon of all colored monologuists, is doing an entirely new act this season with the Oliver P. Scott Refined Negro Minstrels, and never fails to bring the house down in storms of applause.

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Giles, Brown and Thomas, of Richards and Pringle's Georgia Minstrels, are spending their vacation at Riverside Park, near Sioux City, Iowa. Thomas is booked with the above show next season, while Giles and Brown will go with Benson and Nelson's Danish Co., which sails in October.

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Billy McClain is still in Kansas City, Mo. He was royally entertained by the members of the Autumn Club, of that city, on the evening of the 7th. Among those prominent in entertaining were Leon Jordan, Ed Thompson, J. Clark, Andrew Griffin and Charley Edwards, the "Black Prince."

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Williams and Walker, the kings of colored comedians, are headliners at the Masonic Roof Garden, Chicago, this week. Amy Leslie, in the Chicago Daily News, said:

"Williams and Walker, in their latest songs, are irresistible entertainers. 'Nobody most carefully cultured in the art of phrasing could give a clearer evidence of perfect delivery of musical figure than angular, serious Walker does in 'I Don't Like No Cheap Man' and the two wedding songs the team sings. Their comedy is capital, and they never had better songs. The addition of two handsome colored girls, who assist with the gallus drum major in a cake walk, is decidedly a feature, and the roof garden packed to the creaking guard rails roared and applauded everything the dandy coons attempted."

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The Oriental Octoroons, under the management of the Boyer Bros., is being organized in Kansas City, Mo. They will carry about eighty people. Two cars are now being built, one of which will be called Afro-American, and the other the Oriental-American. They have purchased a piano for each car.

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Mr. Shepard N. Edmonds has just finished two more new songs which are said to surpass any he has ever written. One is entitled, "She's a Member of the B. O. C. P.," is a very rich march song, which he has dedicated to Miss Mayme Matthews. The other a comic, entitled, "There're Others Who Don't Think That Way," is creating much comment through the East. Winn and Edmonds are featuring this one, and receiving four and five encores on it. Following is the chorus:

"Don't you think that because you're yaller,
I'm a-goin' to give you my last dollar;
Don't you think that I'm a-goin' to beg you to stay,
Don't you think that because I'm black
I'm a-goin' to coax you to come back,
For there're others who don't think that way."

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Mr. Fred P. Simpson sends the following from the Oliver P. Scott Refined Negro Minstrels: "We are once more in the saddle, with the hottest colored show on the road. The following is the roster: Oliver P. Scott, proprietor; W. A. Junker, manager; A. P. Scott, advance; Billy Miller, John Rucker, Harry Hart, James White, A. L. Stevenson, Clarence Powell, the McCarver Brothers, John Dickerson, George Page, Don Moreno, Marsh Craig, Allie Brown, Cicero Reed, Harry Reed, Lorenzo Tio, R. N. Thompson, F. M. Hailstock, John Pittman, Willie Jackson, Fred W. Simpson, W. N. P. Spiller, Peter Stanley, Joe Dobbins, Harry Waters, Ralph Devine, John H. Grant, E. L. Snyder, Edward E. Carter, and Ferdinand Miller, Allie Brown, the king of the slack-wire, is nightly astonishing the hundreds of people who witnes his daring feats. Marsh Craig, the human enigma, is puzzling the physicians more and more with his contortion act. He holds the audience spell-bound while bending and twisting in all shapes, being a veritable India rubber man. John Rucker, the "Alabama Blossom," is repeating the success he made while with "Darkest America." James White, comedian, is receiving encores nightly."

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John W. Vogel's "Darkest America" closed the season at Sheboygan, Wis., Sunday, June 26th. This was the most successful tour of this magnetic organization, and the fact that but two out of the forty-eight weeks were unprofitable proves beyond a doubt that the company was not only well handled, but that the keynote of the amusement lovers desires had been struck, and, as usual, Manager Vogel's good judgment was not at fault. Mr. Vogel had partly arranged to launch the Afro-American Mastodon Minstrels, in addition to the big spectacle, "Darkest America," opening early in August, but has since concluded to consolidate the two forces, forming in its entirety the most stupendous alliance imaginable. Everything will be new, and the costuming of the various acts, and the spectacular and imposing street parade will be a revelation both as to material and novelty of design. Some idea of the magnitude of this organization can be formed when you know that a special sixty-foot baggage car is required for the transportation of the scenery, and general paraphernalia for the many novelty acts, and that in addition to the regular sleeper previously used by this company, Mr. Vogel's new seventy-foot palace sleeping car "Flora" will be used. Mr. Vogel at present is in Philadelphia arranging with the Baldwin Locomotive Works for the construction of an eighty ton engine which, when completed, will help to form the only complete train of cars ever owned and handled by a theatrical manager. Edwin DeCoursey will, as heretofore, be Mr. Vogel's business manager, and Col. I. S. Potts has been retained as general agent. The season will begin on or about August 15th. All of the principal American and European cities will be visited.

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—Byron.

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"Grant me patience, just Heaven! Of all the cants which are canted in this canting world—though the cant of the hypocrite may be worse, the cant of criticism (?) is the most tormenting."—Sterne.

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The critic, like the poor, we will always have with us until the end of time—but, alas! there are critics and critics (?). The critic proper is alright. It is his self-imposed duty to point out ourmistakes ; kill our future ambition; to upset things in general. The critic proper (literary critic I mean) is a fearless person of education and experience, who can at a look see the mistakes we great (?) writers have made and who, unfettered from flattery, points the same out, always for the good of our readers and sometimes—yes, always—for our good. Long live the true literary critic.

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It is human to err; it is a part of the heritage from Mother Eve. Again it is human not to want our errors flaunted in our faces, or exhibited to "the world at large," as Ed Brock puts it. We do not like to be "called down," or shot down by the pure brand of critic, and will not be by the unknown or spurious critic (?), the ungrammatical editor (?) or author (?), or other darky unknown to fame, history, fortune or outside of his town.

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All candidates for literary fame, who express themselves by tongue or pen are inspected by the learned judge—the critic. I have time and again said to myself (and often to others) "Who is the critic, anyway? The critic in general, and the literary critic in particular? Upon what intellectual food does he feed? What nectar of knowledge does he drink; what special brand of classic air does he breathe which makes him know (or think he knows) more than his fellow man, who ninety-nine and a half times out of a hundred has one thousand times more gray mater, experience, education and all round knowledge in his head than the said critc? None of my literary friends have up to date been able to answer these questions.

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A man or woman is a fool who attempts to speak or write about what they do not know. Fools do not aspire to gain either fame or fortune. It is, therefore, logical to conclude that literary writers, at least know what they are about. They are not perfect; they err like other well meaning human beings; still, 99½ times out of 100 their errors are far, far beyond the mental range of the average darkey editor of a "patent back" Denver, Col., newspaper (?).

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It is said that a friend will point out your mistakes, but the average Negro critic is neither a critic or friend, but a stranger, and too often an unknown jealous foe, who wants to get a free advertisement for his paper (if he is an editor (?)) by your reply to his "review" of your story. He can not get it from me.

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As I said in the preface to my story, "Maid and Mistress'" (the first chapters of which were published in The Freeman of August 31st, 1894), my ambition since boyhood has been to reach fame and fortune by the way of Quill Drivers' avenue. I have long since reached fame, and may reach fortune, as I have just moved into a three thousand dollar house (bought by the results of my pen) and am providing the bread, butter (and meat, too, if you pease) for my three motherless children, self and aged aunt by the "sentimental drivelings" of my pen.

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I have the highest respect for the critic proper; the man or woman, who, by cool headed experience can point out the errors of the heated brain or hasty pen of the author. I can not, however, raise to the level of silent contempt the uneducated Western darky editor (God save the mark) whose ungrammatical pin sticks are like the bites of a mosquito upon the skin of an elephant. It is a great dodge of these fellows to pitch into some great or noted colored man, send him a marked copy of their sheet, get him "mad," and have him reply through the columns of some Negro newspaper. It is a big advertisement for the unknown, as every one will ask, "Who is Editor Cackley? He must be some big bug to tackle Dr. So-and-So, or Prof. A or B." The great (?) Cackley replies and gets quite a name for himself, and quite a circulation for his news(?)paper. But—he can't work me in that way.

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The following is a copy of a letter just received by me. It is one of hundreds:

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"Yours for all good race literature,

"J. J. PHILLIPS."

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It is a great thing not to be able to notice the darts and criticisms of your inferiors, and I have long since reached that point. Letters like the above knock out these ungrammatical critics of unknowns, without a notice from me.

B. SQUARE.

Notes.

Petersburg, Ill., Special.—The Baptist Church was largely attended Sunday. Rev. Will Bates preached. * * Misses Mary E. and Lizzie Matley are visiting friends in Jacksonville, Ill. * * George Lysle, Superintendent of the Sunday School, was sent as a delegate to the Sunday School convention at Aurora, Ill * * The will of Thomas Park, who died May 28, has gone to probate

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(For poets sing a love which children mock,
And bliss of love therein is laughing stock.

Their silly words make creed for common men)?
Our life had long been dreamy holiday
Till when one even on the bleak highway,

I told her that I loved her, and she left
Her soul upon my lips, and thus we staid
Bereft of earth, and then—oh, strange!—we fled

Down the bleak highway till the place's fear
Had closed his wings and left from following.
So here, within sound of her sweet singing,

This summer's day I fathom that dread time
And liken it—how up some desert peak
Sublime went ancient men and heard God speak

And won his law. But once they went, no more!
Yea, though God's dreams ran burning in their brain,
They hurried to the ways of humble men,
Nor prayed of him to visit them again!

—A. Boyd Scott in Black and White.

MAY BE THE MISSING LINK.

That Mysterious and Useless Organ of Man, the Vermiform Appendix.

A distinguished paleontologist claims to have discovered facts serving to show that the vermiform appendix, that mysteriously useless organ that has annoyed the human family so much of late years, is no more nor less than the rudimentary remnant of the gizzard with which he believes the monstrous progenitors of man of the tertiary period of the earth's existence were supplied. Some of these gigantic creatures, lizards in form, birds in kind, animals in some functions, are believed to have developed by the gradual stages described by the supporters of the theory of evolution into the semblance of a human being.

If the bird form be the original of the human race, it is reasonable to believe that it may have been supplied with a gizzard, which in the bird of modern time possesses a definite and important function in the digestion of the food. The bird having no teeth the food is in many cases swallowed whole. Some birds can crush the food with their beaks, but normally the digestion is permitted largely through the agency of the gizzard, where the food is ground into fine particles. The interior coating of this organ is rough and muscular. Many birds swallow, as far as the gizzard, small pebbles that aid the process of attrition. Thus if the latest theory be correct a curious paradox is presented. Whereas in the beginning, as now, the gizzard performed its functions most satisfactorily when supplied with indigestible substances, its rudiment that now remains in the human structure becomes a center of dangerous conditions as soon as any foreign substance, and especially any hard matter, is deposited in it.

One of the marvels of anatomy for some years has been this strange sac in the upper intestines, apparently without the least function in the digestive system and capable of being removed without affecting the health of the patient save to a favorable degree. Researches have revealed many traces of such rudiments in the human system. Darwin's studies brought to light many resemblances between man and the lower orders. It may now be that the despised vermiform appendix will be exploited as the real "missing link" binding man to the past ages, when life assumed many forms that are today unknown.—Washington Star.

Villager's Idea of Hotel Business.

A young lawyer in one of the leading lake cities recently passed a few days at the home of his childhood, a rural hamlet in an adjoining county. While there he ran across one of the characters of the place, a quaint old man whom he had known ever since he could remember.

"How's bizness in town?" inquired the aged man.

"Pretty good," replied the lawyer.

"What ye doin now?"

"Practicing law."

"What's your brother Jim doin?"

"Jim is running a hotel," and he named one of the largest public houses in the city.

"Is Jim married yet?"

"No."

The old man raised his head with a commiserating glance. Then he dryly observed:

"Has to dee-pend on hired help, eh!"—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Bernhardt and Loti.

Sarah Bernhardt recently said to a persistent newspaper correspondent: "I have told you everything. There is nothing that remains for me to say. You are as bad as Pierre Loti!"

"What on earth has Pierre Loti done to you?" was the answer.

"Oh, simply that once upon a time he made up his mind that he was going to make my acquaintance. First he wrote me a letter expressing his admiration for me, and did me the honor of dedicating a book to me. I thanked him, but I did not invite him to call on me."

Didn't Worry.

After three successive failures in a costly experiment one of Mr. Edison's associates, worn out with the strain, asked, "Why don't you worry a little about it, Mr. Edison?"

"Why should I?" replied the inventor. "You are worrying enough for two."

Fond Delusion.

Optician—Yes; you see double. I can correct the fault with spectacles.

Patient—Hurry! Maybe it isn't twins, after all!—Jewelers' Weekly.

The largest gold coin in the world is the British 5 sovereign piece; the smallest is coined in Persia and has a value of only 44 cents.

We hand folks over to God's mercy and show none ourselves.—George Eliot.

Kansas City has 9,000 employees in its packing houses and stockyards.

Got a Whole Lot For Nothing.

The man who always wants something for nothing made a discovery last week in a Diamond street restaurant. A waiter upset a glass on the marble topped lunch counter, breaking the edge of the glass. The waiter carelessly tossed it under the counter and got another with a smooth edge for the customer he was serving.

"What do you do with glasses thus slightly damaged?" asked the customer of the restaurant proprietor, relating the circumstance.

"Oh, we give them away; have to get rid of them; can't endanger the lips of customers by serving them in nicked glasses. But why are you interested?"

"Why, I thought if you would give me a few of the old glasses my wife might use them for jellies."

"Give me your address and I'll send you some," volunteered the restaurant keeper.

The man with a longing for articles without price went away gleefully, calculating mentally on how much he had saved on jelly glasses. Two days later, when he went home from business, he found 13 barrels in his back yard. His wife said she supposed he had sent them, and she paid the man $4.75 for delivering them. When opened, the barrels were found to contain broken glassware and china of all sorts. None of it could be used, not even for jelly glasses. An ash hauler charged $2 for taking away the rubbish. The man who wants things for nothing has withdrawn his patronage from a particular restaurant in Diamond street.—Pittsburg Chronicle-Telegraph.

Questioning Is Not Conversation.

The man who imagines that the art of conversation consists in asking questions spoils conversation as much as the man who never asks any. People of this description will interrupt a speaker as frequently as they do in the French chamber, and run anxiously from subject to subject with their interrogatories, like a cackling hen that is going to lay an egg. Horace Walpole, when exiled at Houghton, bemoans the existence of such a pest in the person of an aunt. Writing to his friend Sir Horace Mann, he says: "I have an aunt here, a family piece of goods, an old remnant of inquisitive hospitality and economy. She wore me so down by day and night with interrogations that I dreamed all night she was at my ear with a who's, why's, when's and what's, till at last in my very sleep I cried out, 'For heaven's sake, madam, ask me no more questions.' "

Dr. Johnson's dislike of being questioned is well known, and he gives the classic refutation of the habit in his own inimitable style: "Sir, questioning is not the mode of conversation among gentlemen. It is assuming a superiority, and it is particularly wrong to question a man concerning himself."—Chambers' Journal.

Hope Came to Him.

A number of persons were talking about coincidences, when a clergyman gave an instance in his own experience. "When I was a very young man, before I entered the ministry," said he, "I met with a series of misfortunes and was nearly discouraged. One day I was seated on a bench in the park of a foreign city. My head was sunk upon my hands and black despair covered me like a cloud. I had about concluded to struggle no longer when a slight noise attracted my attention, and I glanced up to see standing before me and contemplating me with big, solemn eyes the most beautiful little girl I have ever beheld. 'What is your name, my pretty child?' was my natural inquiry. 'Hope,' she answered in a clear, sweet voice. Then she turned and ran away, and the little earthly form whose lips had brought me a message of comfort disappeared forever, but the white spirit of her name she had left in my heart, and from that day I prospered. My eldest daughter is called Hope."—Exchange.

Corkers.

At a London club there is the most unique pair of curtains in existence. This portiere is formed of hundreds of champagne corks, taken from every known brand of champagne, each of which bears the tin top which adorned it when the cork was in its parent bottle. The corks are made into strings, there being 60 of them to each string. Between every cork there are three big Chinese beads of turquoise blue. Altogether there are 24 strings, and at from 12s. to 16s. a cork, the portiere represents a total expenditure of about £1,000. The corks are tied to a white enameled pole, with fancy ends, and big sashes of blue ribbon adorn the brass knobs. The total effect is distinctly pretty. What makes this unique portiere doubly valuable is the fact that each cork bears the autograph of a famous actor or actress of the present day.—London Standard.

Nothing Plebeian About It.

She was an honored member of one of the hereditary societies and was astonished to learn that she was accused of wire pulling in connection with an election of officers.

"Wire pulling!" she exclaimed. "Such an insult! Why, it is common, positively common. People do that in politics."

"Very true," returned her husband consolingly, "but in politics it is probably just common, ordinary wire, while I have no doubt in your case the reference was to the very highest grade of insulated copper wire."

Naturally that made it seem different.—Chicago Post.

How They Do In Dawson.

"Up at Dawson City," said a returned Klondiker, "the people seem strange to you. Now, while I was at a hotel up there burglars entered and swiped nearly $600,000 in gold nuggets."

"What did the boarders do during all this excitement?" asked the clerk.

"Kept perfectly cool," was the quiet reply.—Denver Times.

Bears' Great Strength.

Yes, the strength of grizzly bears is almost beyond belief. I have read about the powerful muscles in the arms of African gorillas, but none can compare with those in the arms and shoulders of big grizzly bears. I have seen a grizzly bear with one fore paw shot into uselessness pull its own 1,100 pounds of meat and bone up precipices and perform feats of muscle that trained athletes could not do. I have seen grizzly bears carrying the carcasses of pigs that must have weighed 70 pounds several miles across a mountain side to their lair, and I have heard hunters tell of having seen cows knocked down as if by a thunderbolt with one blow of the fore paw of a bear.

Three summers ago I spent the season in the coast mountains up in Monterey county, and one moonlight night I saw a big grizzly bear in the act of carrying a dead cow home to her cub. I had a position on the mountain side where I could see every movement of the bear in the sparsely timbered valley below me. The critter carried the dead cow in her fore paws for at least three miles, across jagged, sharp rocks ten feet high, over fallen logs, around the rocky mountain sides, where even a jackass could not get a foothold, to a narrow trail up the steep mountain. She never stopped to rest for a moment, but went right along. I followed, and just about half a mile from the beast's lair I laid her low. The heifer weighed at least 200 pounds, and the bear would have tipped the beam at about 450 pounds.—Chicago Inter Ocean.

General McDowell.

I have never met any one who gave me a stronger impression of honesty and sincerity than Irvin McDowell. He was then in the prime of life—40 or 45 years old—powerfully built, but rather ponderous in movement, kindly and simple in manner, with a very pleasant, soldierly face, a water drinker and almost a vegetarian. After the cruel war was over I met him one day in some foreign city—Vienna, I think—and as we were conversing he said, "Strange, isn't it, our encounter today?"

"Why so, general?"

"Have you forgotten? This is the 21st of July—the anniversary of Bull Run. Had I won that battle I would have been one of the most popular men in the United States and you would have been another. I need not say how much it is the other way with us now."

But I do not think his countrymen blamed him after all. When I went to the United States some years ago, I found him in command at San Francisco—much changed, aged and sad, but courteous and kindly as ever. I told him that I had in a place of honor at home the photograph which he gave me before he left my lodgings the day he was looking for Barry's guns. "And I suppose," he said, "your friends ask, 'Who on earth was General McDowell?' "—Sir W. H. Russell in North American Review.

A Great Screamer.

More than 50 years ago Lachlan McDonald left his home in Strathspey, Scotland, and went to the shores of Lake Winnipeg. He did not neglect to carry with him his beloved bagpipe, and many an evening it spoke to him of the old home beyond the seas.

Even in the daytime, when he was busy in the woods felling trees, he would have it by his side, and on one occasion he had reason to be glad that it was so near.

He was merrily swinging his ax, when he was suddenly surrounded by a party of Indians, who looked very formidable as they drew nearer, gesticulating in a particularly threatening manner. Things began to seem ominous, when a happy thought came to the Scotchman.

Seizing his bagpipe, he blew a blast so loud and long and shrill that the startled red men looked upon him for a moment in consternation and then took to their heels, never stopping till the thick shadows of the forest hid them from the man who could give vent to such an unearthly scream.

They did not forget that prolonged cry; from that time the Scotchman was known among them as "the great screamer of the palefaces."—Exchange.

A Famous English Inn.

One of the oldest and most picturesque inns in all England is the Crab Tree inn in Fordham. Here cyclists from all over Britain have congregated and here men famous in literary annals like Kipling, Haggard and Andrew Lang have "put up" for an hour or two to rest and quaff the ale dispensed by this ancient hostelry.

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Too Big a Contract.

"Doctor," said a man to his medical attendant, who had just presented a small bill of 35 shillings for treatment during a recent illness, "I have not much ready money. Will you take this out in trade?"

"Oh, yes," cheerfully answered the doctor. "I think we can arrange that, but what is your business?"

"I am a cornet player," was the startling reply.—London Telegraph.

Poor Baby.

Unsophisticated Parent—Hello there, nurse, what's the baby yelling that way for? I can't read at all.

Nurse—He's cutting his teeth, sir.

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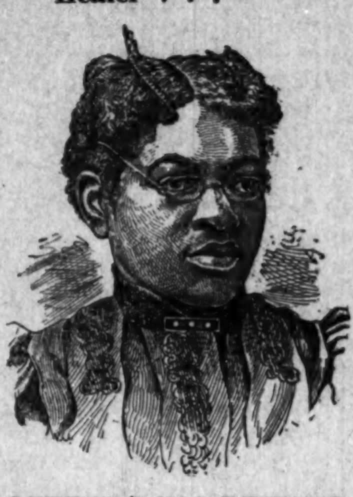

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A SPANISH BRAVADO.

REVOLTING SCENE PICTURED BY A CASTILIAN NOVELIST.

A Striking Description of the Daring and Courage Displayed by the Retired General Who Would Not Permit an Englishman to Outdo Him.

The realistic Spanish novelist, Valdes, in one of his most popular stories ("Sister San Suplice," translated by Nathan Haskell Dole) gives a description of a retired Spanish general's afternoon out which will illuminate many chivalric incidents in Spanish life and aptly illustrates the reckless daring and courage of which the average haughty don is liberally possessed. The scene is a sort of picnic grounds in the outskirts of Seville:

"Meantime the animation had been on the increase among the ruffians. The period of unmannerly action had come. One of them climbed upon the table to make a speech, and the others, by way of applause, threw sherry and manzanilla in his face. Another was trying to lift with his teeth a companion whom drunkenness had stretched out on the floor. He did not succeed. He merely tore his sack coat. Still others were committing absurd and extravagant actions, making a great noise and uproar.

"The count remained grave and silent, drinking one glass of sherry after another. But his eyes were no longer, as usual, incomprehensible and unfathomable, like those of a man tired of life. Though he did not speak or move about he seemed a different man.

"The Englishman had taken off his jacket and waistcoat, and, rolling up his shirt sleeves, was exhibiting his biceps, which were really powerful, and trying to break empty bottles on his arm. Once blood had come, but he went on breaking the bottles without paying any attention to it. Then he asked the waiter to bring a bottle of rum and a large glass. He filled this to the brim with the liquor, and then slowly, without moving a muscle or even winking, he drained it to the bottom. Then he sat down at the table opposite the count and said solemnly:

"'You can't do that.'

"A flash of fury gleamed through the harebrained nobleman's eyes, but he succeeded in restraining himself, and, turning the rest of the bottle into the glass, he calmly ordered the waiter to bring him some pepper. He threw in a pinch of it, then threw into it his cigar ashes heaped up before him, and, without saying a word, with the same scornful, contemptuous smile, drained the glass, and, not content with that, bit it in pieces. We saw his lips spotted with blood. The company received with oles and shouts of triumph this proof of an unconquerable stomach, in which it seemed as though the national honor were concerned.

"Our neighbors in the other booths must have reached the same happy grade of temperature, for nothing was heard but extravagant shouts, the crashing of glasses, coarse laughter and swearing.

"The count was not yet satisfied with his victory over the Englishman. While he was swallowing with apparent calmness the glasses of liquor which were offered to him he did not cease to devour him with his eyes, carried away by a dull madness, which soon broke out. His eyes, which were the only part of his impassive face that moved, gleamed more and more ferociously, like those of a madman when a straitjacket has been put on him. The Englishman continued to boast of his strength. He was now thoroughly intoxicated and talking impudently enough to the others, who were not so drunk.

"'So you are very valiant, are you?' asked the count, still smiling disdainfully.

"'More than you,' retorted the Englishman.

"Don Jenaro started to spring at him, but the others restrained him. Soon calming himself, he said:

"'If you are so brave, why not put your hand on the table?'

"'What for?'

"'To pin it down with mine.'

"The Englishman, without an instant's hesitation, stretched out his huge, brawny hand. The count took out of his pocket a damaskeened dagger and laid his delicate, gentlemanly hand on the Englishman's, and without hesitation and with a ferocious grip he raised the point with the other and drove it through both into the table.

"The women uttered a cry of terror. All of us men ran to their assistance. A few left the place in search of help. In an instant our booth was filled with blood. From the wounds great drops of blood streamed, staining the handkerchiefs which we applied to them.

"A doctor who happened to be among the bystanders dressed the wounds provisionally with the few means at his disposal. The count smiled while they were dressing his hand. The Englishman was as sick as a horse and vomiting. Soon the count was doing the same, and both were taken to such rooms as the establishment had to offer and went to bed. Every one left, commenting on the barbarism of the deed."

If She Were a Man.

"Oh," she suddenly exclaimed, "I wish I were a man."

"What would you do?" he asked.

"I'll not say what I would do, but there is one thing I will confess that I wouldn't do."

"And that is?"

"I wouldn't sit around as if I had handcuffs on when I happened to be alone with a girl."—Cleveland Leader.

Scientists measure by the contraction of petroleum ether temperatures several hundred degrees below zero F. At 310 degrees below zero, the temperature at which liquid air boils, petroleum ether remains in a semiliquid condition and contracts with the decrease of temperature.

TRAINING A WARHORSE.

How He Is Taught to Stand the Blaze and Thunder of Battle.

A warhorse is broken to be steady under fire by tying ropes to his legs. While the animal is down on the ground the officer takes a pistol and fires it close to his ear. Then in rapid order he fires the weapon over his back, under his neck, between his legs, anywhere that an opening presents itself during the horse's futile struggles. Not until he sinks back exhausted, all a-tremble and showing the whites of his eyes, does the pistol practice cease.

After two or three lessons of this kind it is considered safe to mount him with a bridle furnished with a curb bit. Up to this time the horse has never felt a curb. The light snaffle is still retained, and the curb bridle is only given a gentle pressure at first, just enough to let him know that it is there. Gradually the strength of the pull is increased, and with this safeguard the horse is taught to stand fire from his rider's pistol or carbine.

In carbine practice the horse must be thoroughly broken, as both hands are required in using this weapon, whereas with the pistol the rider may retain the bridle with one hand.

Then comes saber practice, and that is another trial to the horse. Again is he thrown to the ground, and he probably can't understand why he should have to suffer this indignity all over again, for he has learned that lesson very well. But when the bright blade of the saber, with quick thrusts flashing before his eyes and cutting the air in close proximity to his ears, appears to him he is again terror stricken.

But the lesson he has learned from the smell of gunpowder stands him in good stead, and he soon gets over his fear. And even with a man on his back and another mounted upon a seasoned horse coming at him with saber raised in the air or slashing left and right he knows that it is all a part of his education and something to be expected. So he stands his ground or cavorts about the other horse while the two troopers indulge in their saber practice.—New York World.

FORESTALLED HIM.

The Chipper Youth Knew What Usually Happened In Such Cases.

The fresh young man with no respect in his soul for gray hairs and dyed whiskers swung himself on the car in the middle of a block, and leaning against the brake handle proceeded to roll a cigarette with great deftness. The fat man who despises the ways of the youth on general principles leaned against the window guards and watched the development of a cigarette.

"Got a match, neighbor?" inquired the fresh young man as he put the last finishing twist to his smoke.

"Young man"—began the fat man after a brief, elderly pause, calculated to greatly impress the cigarette smoker.

"Yes, I know all about"— interrupted the youth, "so you might as well choke your lecture on a bornin. I know cigarettes will kill me if I stick to 'em, but I don't care. It's an easy death. I know if I must smoke I should smoke cigars, but I don't like the color of 'em. I've got a touch of paresis now, and I'm due for more. I know you think of all the disgusting things in the world a cigarette is the worst.

"I know they undermine the constitution and are wrecking the rising generation. Now if I've forgotten anything you were going to say help me out. Come to think of it, I've got a match myself. If I keep on smoking these things, I won't be able to think at all before long. I know if you had a boy that smoked cigarettes you would lick him within an inch of his life. I nearly forgot you were going to say that. Where do you get off anyhow?"

"Here," gasped the fat man as he dropped off the platform, muttering something about what this country is coming to. And the fresh young man lighted his cigarette with a grin.—Washington Times.

The Recruit's Religion.

Captain Philip Trevor begins a paper in The Nineteenth Century on "The Catholicism of the British Army" as follows:

"What's yer religious persuasion?" said the sergeant to the recruit.

"My what?"

"Yer what? Why, what I said. What's yer after o' Sundays?"

"Rabbits mostly."

"'Ere, stow that lip. Come, now, chu'ch, chapel or 'oly Roman?"

And after explanation from his questioner the recruit replied: "I ain't nowise perticklêr. Put me down chu'ch o' England, sergeant. I'll go with the band."

Accounting For the Size of a Fee.

"It strikes me, Mr. Brief," said Mr. Dogway, "that your charge of $750 for this opinion is pretty steep."

"No doubt," said Mr. Brief. "But you see, Dogway, when you come and ask me for an opinion which violates all my convictions you've got to pay not only for your law, but for my conscience."—Harper's Bazar.

The Place For the Repentant.

They had eloped and returned for the parental blessing.

"Father," the beautiful young woman said, "we are sorry for what we have done. Will you"—

"Then," the stern old man interrupted, "why don't you go to the lawyer around the corner? I'm no divorce court."—Chicago News.

One Consolation.

There is one consolation in being on the shady side of life. When a man gets to be 50 years or so and he says of a young woman, "Confound it, if I wasn't married already I'd marry the girl myself," he actually believes she would have him. This is as good as getting her, better perhaps.—Boston Transcript.

THE ROSES OF SEATTLE.

O roses of Seattle,
  That bloom in June and May,
You are perfect as the poet's dream,
  Fair as the golden day;
You scatter waves of fragrance
  On the sleeping air of night;
Your rainbow painted petals
  Are the glory of the light!

Fair is Nile's storied lotus
  And the rose of Gulistan,
And pleasant is the poppy seed
  That lulls the soul of man,
Rare are the lights and shadows
  In the pansy's purple eyes,
But the roses of Seattle
  Are the flowers of paradise.

O roses of Seattle,
  That bloom in May and June,
Deep hearts of gold and crimson
  That light the summer noon,
The cottage of the lowly
  You paint with God's own plan;
In the mansion of the lordly
  You shame the art of man!

I hold them fast in memory
  Wherever I may roam,
These blossoms from the garden
  Of the gods, dropped down from home.
The cruel years take from us
  What years cannot restore,
But the roses of Seattle—
  They bloom forevermore!

—Eliza Archard Conner in Seattle Post-Intelligencer.

A STRANGE SENTENCE.

Punishment For a Murder That Was More Cruel Than Death.

In 1801 a man died in the Catskills who had been condemned by one of the strangest sentences on record. Ralph Sutherland was born in 1701 and lived in a stone house near Leeds. He was a man of violent temper and morose disposition, shunned by his neighbors and generally disliked. Not being able to get an American servant, he imported a Scotchwoman, and, according to the usage of the times, virtually held her in bondage until her passage money had been refunded.

Unable to endure any longer the raging temper of her master, the girl ran away. Immediately upon discovering her absence the man set off in an angry chase upon his horse and soon overtook her. The poor woman never reached the house alive, and Sutherland was indicted and arrested on the charge of murder.

At the trial he tried to prove that his horse had taken fright, run away, pitched him out of the saddle and dashed the girl to death upon the rocks, but the jury did not accept the defense, and Sutherland was sentenced to die upon the scaffold.

Then came the plea of the insufficiency of circumstantial evidence and the efforts of influential relations. These so worked upon the court that the judge delayed the sentence of death until the prisoner should be 99 years old.

It was ordered that the culprit should be released on his own recognizance, and that, pending the final execution of his sentence, he should keep a hangman's noose about his neck and show himself before the judges of Catskill once a year to prove that he wore his badge of infamy and kept his crime in mind. It was a more cruel decision than the sentence of immediate death would have been, but it was no doubt in harmony with the spirit of the times.

Thus Ralph Sutherland lived. He always lived alone. He seldom spoke. His rough, imperious manner had gone. Years followed years. At each session of the court the broken man came before the bar of justice and silently showed the noose that circled his neck.

At last his ninety-ninth year came, the time when the court had ordered that the utmost penalty of the law should be executed. For the last time the man tottered before the judge's bench, but new judges had arisen in the land, new laws had been made, old crimes had been forgotten or forgiven, and there was none who would accuse him or execute sentence. Indeed the awful restriction that had bound his life so intimately to the expiation of his crime was now legally removed.

But the spirit of self punishment continued, and when Sutherland, after he had passed his hundredth year, was discovered dead, alone in his house, his throat was found to be encircled by the rope which had been placed there nearly three-quarters of a century before.—Youth's Companion.

Value of a Constitution.

It happened in the spring of 1860, when Garibaldi was pursuing his expedition in Sicily and when the words "Constitution and Liberty" were on every Neapolitan's lips. "Why are you so anxious for a constitution?" asked a foreign tourist of his guide and donkey driver, while they were traveling through the mountains of Sorrento. "Well, you see, your excellency," was the answer, "because I think we shall be all the better for it. It is now close upon 20 years that I am letting out my asses to visitors from all countries—English, French, Americans; all of these have a constitution, and they are all rich."—Argonaut.

Life In Colorado.

A person in this country no sooner gets through shoveling coal and carrying out the ashes than he has to sprinkle his grass and push the lawn mower. The more coal he shovels the more ashes he carries, and the more water he squirts the harder he has to push the lawn mower. It is ever thus.—Longmont (Colo.) Ledger.

What She Was Doing.

"You see, Phyllis had to stop to fix her hair"—

"Arrange, child; not fix. Fix means to make fast."

"Well, that's what she was doing. It was coming loose."—Indianapolis Journal.

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TOWN TALK.

Mrs. M. A. Tiester, of Crawfordsville, was in the city this week.

Miss Dora Fisher, of Chicago, is the guest of Mrs. B. Fisher.

Mr. and Mrs. Remus Moore spent last Sunday at Cedar Lake.

Mrs. Retta Moss is the guest of friends and relatives in Cincinnati.

Mr. B. McKinney Ward is in Muncie, Ind., in the interest of The Freeman.

Mr. Chester Finn has accepted a position with the Allen Surgical Institute, Chicago.

Rev. J. Thomas, of Peoria, Ill., occupied the pulpit of the Corinthian Baptist Church last Sunday.

Attorney W. W. Holland, of the firm of Lewis & Holland, addressed the Langston Club Tuesday evening.

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Messrs. E. H. Holmes and C. W. Luckett, of the Prairie View, Texas, Normal, passed through the city last week en route to Washington.

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Miss Carrie Miller and sister, Mrs. Felix Williamson, entertained the Idle Hour Pleasure Club last Thursday evening at Odd Fellows' Hall.

A surprise party was given last Thursday evening at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Cheatham, in W. Twelfth street, in honor of Miss Nannie Alvis.

Wm. E. Givens, the Virginia avenue tonsorial artist, has applied for a divorce from his wife, Helen M. Givens, whom he married in 1886. He alleges cruelty.

A meeting has been called on the east side for next Tuesday evening at the Anacostia Club rooms. It is said another company for the war is the motive of the call.

The loss is estimated at about $2,000 to $3,000, with $2,500 insurance. Several sections of hose were cut by the Big Four trains and a street car during the fire. Services were held in a tent Sunday night.

Mr. Louis M. Miller and Miss Hattie Ruth Smith were married last Thursday at the home of the bride, 818 Blake street. They left for Danville, Ill., on a short visit, after which they will return to this city for permanent residence.

Miss Phila A. Stewart was in Rockport, Ind., attending as a delegate from Leah Chapter to the Grand Session, which convened there this week.

The Herculean Club gave a lawn fete at their club last Monday evening which was well attended. All present enjoyed themselves.

The Freeman is a household treasure of news, information and literature, illustrated and tastefully presented. No home should be without it. Send $1.00 during the month of July and have the race's leading journal sent to your address for one year.

A parlor musicale was given at the home of Oscar Tyree last Monday evening. An excellent literary program was rendered by the young people present.

Moses Harris, a well known citizen, died suddenly last Saturday at the Holt Ice and Cold Storage Co., where he was employed as a special policeman. He had been in the employ of Sterling R. Holt for 25 years. His funeral occurred last Tuesday afternoon, and was held from the Second Baptist Church. Mr. Harris was 53 years old.

In accordance with the proclamation issued by President McKinley, Elder Sissle discoursed eloquently on the war question and the happy results up to date. The church was filled to the doors and the congregation was deeply interested in the sermon. The choir sang well. Mr. Wm. M. Lewis, the well-known musician and choir master, presided at the organ.

Antioch Baptist, one of the best known colored churches in Indianapolis, was burned Saturday night. It is believed that the torch was used. Elder J. M. Morton, who has been pastor for some years, and who lives three doors east of the church, on Fourteenth street, near Howard, was aroused by the cry of fire about 11:30, but not until it was too late to save thebuilding. A valuable organ and collection of books, the latter the property of Elder Morton, were destroyed.

Notes of Interest-

Memphis, Tenn., Special.—Miss Imo Brown, of Memphis, formerly of Ohio, and a niece of Prof. E. L. and Rev. Dr. Honesty, the former a teacher in the Memphis public schools, the latter the rector of Emanuel Episcopal Church, was united in the holy bonds of wedlock to Prof. Thornton Chapman, principal of the public schools of Natchez, Miss. The ceremony was performed at 6:30 o'clock p. m. at Canfield Memorial in Memphis, the home of the Honesty's. The spacious parlors were appropriately decorated. Mrs. J. A. Hooks, the well known music teacher of Memphis, played the wedding march, and the bride elect marched in on the arm of her uncle, Prof. E. L. Honesty, who gave her away in marriage. The groom-elect joined her at the altar, and the ceremony, which was the beautiful Episcopal wedding ceremony, was performed by Dr. Honesty. An elegant repast was served to the bride and groom and invited guests immediately after the ceremony. The bride and groom left at 9 p. m., for Natchez, Miss., where they will be at home to their friends after July 12. The guests invited were with few exceptions, the immediate friends of the family, among whom were: Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Settle, Mrs. R. R. Church, Mr. Wiliams, Sr., and Mr. Williamson, Jr., Mr. D. W. Washington, Mrs. J. A. Hooks, Mrs. F. P. Cooper, Misses Flossie and Mattie Jackson, Minerva Woodson, Angie Nicholson, Elvira Jones, Estelle Washington and Messrs. Bradshaw, Hemingway, E. M. Ware, Edgar Webber, Dr. A. S. J. Burchett and others.

Newsy Notes.

Winchester, Tenn., Special.—Sunday, July 10, children's day, was observed at the Baptist Church. The services were well attended and all listened attentively to the excellent and instructive lecture by Rev. R. J. Hogg, of the A. M. E. Church. * * The folowing persons opened school at their respective places: Mr. A. M. and Miss L. M. Townsend, Mr. H. L. Cunningham and Miss Anna Mann. * * Preparations are rapidly going on for the entertainment of the District Conference, which convenes with the A. M. E. Church of this city, July 28, 29, 30 and 31. * * Although secret the public was not surprised to hear of the marriage of Mr. H. L. Cunningham and Miss Charlotte Cowan. * * Subscribe for The Freeman, and patronize Negro enterprises.

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The time of Train No. 6 has also been quickened. Under the new schedule that train leaves Indianapolis 5:50 a. m., Cincinnati 8:15 a. m., Columbus 11:45 a. m., arrives Pittsburg 5:40 p. m., central time; arrives Harrisburg 2:00 a. m., arrives Baltimore 6:25 a. m., arrives Washington 7:40 a. m., arrives Philadelphia 4:50 a. m., arrives Twenty-third street station, New YorkCity, 7:45 a. m., eastern time. No. 6 has sleeping cars through to New York without change.

NOTICE.

Indianapolis, Ind., July 12.—The officers and members of the various missionary societies of the city are invited to picnic with the Allen Chapel Missionary Society Thursday, July 21, at Broad Ripple. We are preparing to have an enjoyable time. Friends invited.

ELLA WILLIAMS, President.
LUCY TWINES, Secretary.

P. S.—We wil leave the city 9:30 a. m.

NOTES.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Special.—Dewey, the seven weeks' old infant of Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Ferguson, of East Fifth street, died July 7th. * * Messrs. B. W. Lowe and Johnnie Harriel took a trip to the park the 10th. * * With sincere regret we learn of the illness of Mr. Charlie Humphreys, of Orchard Knob. * * Owing to other duties the agent has been unable to get around and collect promptly. He has therefore turned the agency over to Mr. B. W. Lowe, who will deliver papers and give proper credit for all monies paid him. We bespeak for him the patronage of all.

MR. JOHN B. CONNER.

It is indeed with great esteem that we indorse the candidacy of Mr. John B. Conner, the State Statistician, for renomination to that office. This office is virtually of Mr. Conner's creation, for while a member of the Legislature in 1879 he introduced the bill establishing the Indiana Bureau of Statistics, so organized to collect and publish statistical information respecting agricultural resources and productions, manufacturing, labor, economics, etc. He was appointed the first chief of this distinctive Bureau of Statistics by the late Governor Albert G. Porter in 1881, serving two years. Since then the office has become an elective one by the people.

A vacancy occurring in April, 1897, he was appointed to fill the same by Governor James A. Mount, unsolicited, till the biennial election of 1898, and appointed Mr. James W. Egnew, of Wabash County, late assistant secretary of the Indiana Senate, as deputy chief of the bureau. He will be a candidate before the coming Republican convention of August 3 and 4 for nomination as chief of the department for the term of two years.

Before the war Mr. Conner published a paper in Vernon, Ind., in which he vigorously fought the Dred Scott decision. He was also identified with the Underground Railway. Mr. Conners has always been a friend to the Negro and his nomination for the office of State Statistician will not only give strength and tone to the Republican State ticket, but will be giving "honor to whom honor is due."

Huntington, W. Va., special.—Geo. Brown left for Webster Springs, W. Va., last week. * * Willis Underwood transacted business at Catlettsburg one day last week * * Will Price and Lee Waide are out after being sick a few days. * * Johnnie McKeever is in Cincinnati this week. * * Walter Ross and Dora Brown were up from Catlettsburg Monday. * * Presiding Elder J. T. Owens, of the Wheeling District M. E. Church, is in the city for a couple of weeks' stay.

FROM AFRICA.

The Editor of The Freeman, Indianapolis, Ind.

Lagos, May 16, 1898.—Sir: I came across your paper, The Freeman, of July 20, 1895. I like it, being very instructive, and will contribute for supplying me with it.

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I's hankerin' to meet dem yaller Spaniards face to face,
An' scatter 'em an' spatter 'em permisc'ous roun' de place.

But my heart's mos' broke
By de way de sergeant spoke,
He's got me whah his 'pinions is de law.
Dese rifles make me nervous,
I could do a heap o' service
Ef dey'd lemme take my razzer to de wah

You squints along de barrel an' you shoots a mile or so,
Perhaps you done hit sumpin', but how is you gwinter know?
De onlies' assistance dat I cares foh in a fight
Is a weepin' dat you handles close up, so's to steer it right.

An' my heart's mos' broke
By de way de sergeant spoke,
He's got me whah his 'pinions is de law.
But I's privileged to mention
I could stop de whole convention
Ef dey'd lemme take my razzer to de wah. —Washington Star.

The above is a little take-off on the colored soldiers that is far too neat to resist. Just so they get no worse, it will be all right.

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